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Hussein meets Khaled

GENEVA, Sept. 21 (Agencies) — King Hussein of Jordan conferred about the Middle East situation with King Khaled Thursday in a six-day private visit to Morocco where he conferred with King Hassan.

Officials gave no details of the talks. Sheikh Zayed was accompanied by his sons and the ministers of foreign affairs, information and planning.

In Beirut senior Palestinian officials said King Hussein has proposed a restricted Arab summit to work out a political action program which could serve as an alternative to the Camp David Middle East agreements.

They said King Hussein, a critic of the Camp David accords, has made the proposal at a meeting in Amman with Palestinian commando leader Yasser Arafat.

The sources said that the king had proposed a summit grouping Jordan, Kuwait, Syria, Saudi Arabia, Iraq and the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) to draft a substitute for Camp David.

According to the sources, King Hussein suggested that a substitute plan for Camp David be presented to European states and the Soviet Union.

The sources said King Hussein envisaged that the Europeans and Russians would then exert pressure on the United States to approve the substitute and drop Camp David, which led to the virtual isolation of Egypt in the Arab world.

Wafa said, "Our forces are engaging many troops in an attempt to stop their advance."

The invasion came two days after a bomb blast outside a cafe in the heart of west Jerusalem killing at least one and wounding several.

Germans, Swiss buy dollars; gold nosedives

LONDON, Sept. 21 (AP) — The Swiss German central banks bought up dollars today to cushion the fall of the U.S. currency. But by the end of the day it was still against most major currencies and dealers dictated further decline.

The price of gold, meanwhile dropped, sharply amid nervous profit-taking from the futures market. Thursday's all-time high of \$386 a troy ounce ended the day at \$369.50 in Zurich and \$368 in London, but this was still a rise of \$16 for the week.

Field in Jeddah

Sept. 21 (SPA) — Canada's envoy Robert Stanfield arrived Thursday night on a visit to the Kingdom.

He was received at the airport by Abbas, head of the foreign ministry's press and Canadian embassy officials.



DEPOSED: Emperor Jean Bokassa I, the iron-fisted ruler of Central Africa since 1975, was overthrown in a bloodless coup Thursday night led by former president David Dacko.

Bokassa I overthrown

PARIS, Sept. 21 (R) — Emperor Bokassa was deposed in an overnight coup in the Central African Empire which Friday sparked wild celebrations there at the fall of a hated tyrant accused of killing children.

Within hours of the bloodless takeover by President David Dacko and the proclamation of a republic two companies of French troops flew in to the capital, Bangui, to preserve order at the new government's request.

Jean Bedel Bokassa, 58, was denounced by the new president as a deranged despot who brought shame and ridicule upon a country utterly ruined by his delusions of grandeur.

Looting of shops and public buildings was reported while revellers danced and sang in an explosion of uncontrolled joy in the streets of Bangui.

The former non-commissioned officer in the French army, who crowned himself emperor in a Napoleonic-style ceremony in 1977, was in Libya when Dacko moved against him.

In Brussels President Mobutu Sese Seko of Zaire said Friday that Libyan leader Muammar Qaddafi has asked Bokassa to leave Libya.

"I know that the president of Libya has asked him to leave the territory," the Zaire president, on a visit to Brussels, told reporters. The emperor's estranged son, Georges, told Reuters in Paris that his father was in Tripoli negotiating a loan for his country when David Dacko seized power in Bangui.

The French newspaper *Le Monde* quoted reports from Bangui that Bokassa was proposing to allow the Libyans to establish a military base in the empire in exchange for financial aid.

In recent months, Bokassa had been isolated in his Berengo Palace some 80 kilometers outside Bangui, protected by imperial guards — the country's only effective fighting force.

SCLC-PLO end talks

Begin rebuffs U.S. blacks

BEIRUT, Sept. 21 (Agencies) — A delegation of black American leaders left for home Friday "sorely disappointed" that they could not follow up their talks in Beirut with the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) by meeting Israeli leaders as well.

The 11-member team from the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) ended their visit with three and a half hours of talks with PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat Thursday night.

Before leaving for London on their way home, SCLC President Joseph Lowery told a press conference: "We were sorely disappointed by the refusal of the Israeli government to receive us."

The SCLC team came to propose a moratorium on violence in the Middle East and had hoped to visit Israel. But an SCLC request for a meeting with Premier Menachem Begin and other Israeli leaders was refused.

In Tel Aviv, the government's decision not to meet the American group touched off a heated controversy Friday among top Israeli officials including some ministers.

Begin was persuaded by Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan to drop the idea.

Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek has said he will meet the black leaders despite advice to the contrary by the foreign ministry.

A spokesman of the small Democratic

Mubarak-Carter talks 'fruitful'

ISMAILIA, Sept. 21 (AP) — President Anwar Sadat said that his vice president had "excellent and very fruitful" talks with U.S. President Jimmy Carter.

Sadat spoke to reporters Thursday after a five-hour meeting with Vice President Hosni Mubarak during which he said he heard a detailed report on Mubarak's economic and political talks in the U.S. Sadat did not elaborate.

Mubarak returned home earlier Thursday from a five-day visit to the U.S. and a stop over in Austria.

Schmidt supports all M.E. peoples

BONN, Sept. 21 (R) — West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt said in a Jewish new year message Friday that all peoples in the Middle East have a right to self-determination.

Without naming Palestinians or Jews, Schmidt said in a message to the Jewish paper *Allgemeine Juedische Wochenzeitung*: "We support the right of self-determination for all peoples — also for all peoples in the Middle East."

He said 23,000 Palestinians were in Israeli jails and added: "We are the victims and



MEETING: PLO chief Yasser Arafat holding a meeting with Rep. Joseph Lowery, president of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, left, and U.S. Rep. Walter Fauntroy (further left).

party, represented in Begin's coalition government, said Friday that party chairman Yigael Yadin, who is deputy prime minister, was ready to meet the visitors.

Many Israeli leaders resent the statements made by the black leaders in Beirut calling for the establishment of a Palestinian state.

Israeli and American Jewish relations with the U.S. black community have been tense since Ambassador Andrew Young's resignation from his United Nations post over his failure to report fully to the State Department on his unauthorized meeting with a representative of the PLO in New York.

Dayan, who has been holding talks with U.S. leaders in Washington, said that attempts by outside groups, including blacks, to mediate between Israel and the PLO were "unhelpful."

Kollek told reporters he felt the foreign minister's decision was a mistake.

The 11-member team arrived in Lebanon on Monday at the invitation of Arafat.

At a meeting in Beirut Thursday the Palestinian leader said: "We are not terrorists but we will not stop our struggle and confrontation inside the occupied territories."

Arafat, quoted by the Palestine News Agency Wafa, said Israel was using U.S. weapons against southern Lebanon in a bid to force the country to join Middle East peace talks.

"What kind of peace is this?" he said. "A peace in which the U.S. has given 600 tanks and armored vehicles to Israel. How can you believe they want peace?"

Arafat condemned the Camp David peace accords between Egypt and Israel as a new form of slavery, and said the Palestinians refused to be treated like American Indians.

The PLO leader said he was seeking a democratic, secular Palestinian state in which Jews, Muslims and Christians could live together in peace.

He said 23,000 Palestinians were in Israeli jails and added: "We are the victims and

they are the terrorists and criminals."

The three and a half-hour meeting ended after midnight when the U.S. delegation sang the civil rights freedom song "We Shall Overcome."

In a brief statement to reporters, Arafat said he was grateful to the civil rights leaders for coming to South Lebanon.

"I hope the Palestinian people will have the opportunity to live in peace in an independent state in their homeland, far away from oppression and aggression and savage attacks."

Lowery said the delegation had enjoyed meeting Arafat.

At the end of the meeting, Arafat presented Lowery with a book about Palestine, inscribed: "To My Brother Joseph."

U.S. threats may lead to war, Tony Benn warns

KUWAIT, Sept. 21 (AP) — Tony Benn, Britain's former energy minister has warned that United States threats to intervene militarily in the Gulf in order to protect the West's oil supply might lead to world war.

"Such a venture will not lead anywhere but to the destruction of the world as it will be the spark that will set off a new world war between the superpowers," Benn said in an interview with the *AL Watan*, published here Friday.

Benn, the leader of the extreme left wing of the British Labor Party, served as energy minister in the last Labor government.

Western accusations against the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) as responsible for the world's inflation were mere "superstitions" Benn added in his interview.

Hyderabad collection

India court halts gem sale

NEW DELHI, Sept. 21 (AP) — A jewel auction billed as the world's richest was called off by the supreme court on Friday after caretaker Prime Minister Charan Singh's government said it opposed the export of the gems.

"The jewels...in the national interest should not be allowed to go out of the country," said the cabinet statement, read by additional solicitor general K.T. Venugopal. He said the government would take consequential action "to prevent any export of the gems."

Only two potential buyers put up the court-set minimum bid of \$26.3 million, which made them eligible to buy what was the property of the late Nizam, or ruler, of Hyderabad.

One of them, Greek shipping magnate Philip Niarchos, expressed disappointment with the government's move.

"I fully respect the decision but it's too bad they didn't make it before advertising the jewels as being able for export," he told reporters.

An employee of the Niarchos family, Marke Zervoudachi of London, had stronger words for the decision.

"It's going to make the country the laughing stock of the world."



NIZAM'S JEWELLERY: Some of the items from the fabulous collection of oriental jewellery of late Nizam of Hyderabad. In top row from left are diamond and gold brooch; a pair of emerald cabochons and diamond bazu band. In center are pearl and diamond necklace; 22 loose emeralds in a box; emerald and diamond cuff links and buttons. In bottom pictures are emerald and diamond brooch, diamond brooch (star design) and a necklace of pearls and diamonds.

he said as he left the supreme court.

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Resists pressure on postal, travel links

Kingdom insists on keeping Egypt services

TUNIS, Sept. 21 — Saudi Arabia has informed the Arab League Council that it rejects a proposal to sever postal, shipping and air links with Egypt.

The refusal was given at a closed meeting of the council here last week by the Kingdom's permanent representative to the league, Sheikh Taher Radwan.

Sheikh Taher was quoted by *Al-Nadwa* Thursday as saying that by so doing, Saudi Arabia wanted to prove that it scrupulously observed the decision of the Baghdad summit to look to the interests of the brotherly people of Egypt, whose bread or transport should not be touched.

He said the Egyptians belonged to the Arab community and they should be made to feel that they



Sheikh Taher Radwan were not target for the Arabs whose objective "is to protect them from the failings of the Egyptian regime, which disre-

garded the rights of the Arab Nation and concluded a separate peace treaty with the Zionist entity, ingoring the legitimate rights of the Palestinian people."

He added that Saudi Arabia was a custodian of the Islamic Holy Places, and a decision of that kind would block the way to hundreds of thousands of Muslims wishing to perform the Pilgrimage.

During a four debate on the proposal, submitted by Arab League Assistant Secretary General Dr. Abdul Hassan Zalzalah, Sheikh Taher dealt at length with the terms of economic and commercial integration and the legitimacy of dealing with ordinary Egyptians and transport companies.

He expressed the Kingdom's reservations that a new discussion of the subject by Arab foreign ministers at their next meeting would be useful.

The session was held to follow up the implementation of the decision of the league's extraordinary meeting in Baghdad on the economic boycott that followed the Camp David agreement a year ago.

Syria and Libya said they believed that severing of postal, maritime and air links with Egypt would set off a revolution in that country. But Bahrain supported the Saudi position.

Sheikh Taher also pointed out that Saudi Arabia was not a member of the Arab Air Transport Association, which had for-

bidden Egyptian planes from landing at Arab airports and vice versa. "Therefore, its decisions do not bind the Arab League," he said.

The issue had already been discussed and a decision was made by the foreign ministers at their meeting last June. There is no need for them to examine it again, Sheikh Taher stressed.

Atomic research center studied by commission

JEDDAH, Sept. 21 — The Council of Ministers has appointed a commission to study the establishment of an atomic energy research center, according to *Al-Riyadh*. The commission is headed by Defense and Aviation Minister Prince Sultan.

The center, which will be managed by the new Saudi Arabian National Center for Science and Technology, will draw up a program for the development of nuclear energy to supplement present energy sources, according to the report presented to the cabinet by

the Ministry of Petroleum and Mineral Resources.

Last year, the ministry's Directorate General of Mineral Resources awarded a \$6 million contract to Vinatome of France to survey western Saudi Arabia for radioactive minerals — most promisingly, uranium. Uranium was reported discovered in not insignificant deposits in Najran in the 1960s.

According to *Al-Riyadh*, Petroleum and Mineral Resources Minister Sheikh Ahmad Zaki Yamani is giving priority to the project and "a number of industrial states" have shown interest in assisting Saudi Arabia in developing nuclear technology.

Press reports earlier this year said that present plans extend to the construction of two experimental reactors, on the Red Sea and Gulf coasts, and a center for research into reactor technology.

— James Buchan

On public awareness

Hasa holds health meet

HASA, Sept. 21 (SPA) — A third public health seminar was held here Friday, organized by the King Faisal Hospital in Hofuf. The participants discussed health problems in the area.

They also looked at how to improve public awareness of safeguarding health, and how best more people could be educated.

In Riyadh, a Ministry of Health delegation returned from a six-day visit to North Yemen where further Saudi assistance in health care was discussed. It was led by Dr. Yusuf Al-Humaidan, director general of health.

The team held talks with the



EAST MEETS WEST: The traditional engine of Arabian industrialization, with a more recent and more noisy import in Jeddah Friday.

To reinforce existing staff

UPM takes on 100 foreign teachers

JEDDAH, Sept. 21 — One Hundred Arab and American university teachers have been contracted to begin teaching at Dammam's University of Petroleum and Minerals this academic year.

They will reinforce the existing teaching staff.

A delegation from the United States Navy visited UPM earlier

this week and inspected the faculties, their buildings and facilities. They were given a talk on the university's teaching methods, and reportedly expressed their admiration of the advanced scientific research they had seen.

At Riyadh University, *Al-Jazirah* reported that physicists from the Faculty of Science are putting the finishing touches on a solar-powered car built by a joint Saudi-foreign team of research engineers.

Riyadh University can fairly claim to be a world leader in solar energy research. In 1969 it began looking into the use of solar power in cooking, heating and cooling, desalination and greenhouse agriculture. Riyadh University students are probably to take part in the United States-Saudi Joint Commission Solar Village project.

That is a \$100 million plan to install a 350 KW photovoltaic system to supply the entire power needs of Uyahmah and Jubailah, two villages 50 kilometers north of Riyadh. A joint team is now negotiating with firms bidding to install the photovoltaic system, and Riyadh University will prob-

ably provide teams to examine the likely effects of the project on the life of the villages — present energy consumption and how social patterns will be affected.

In other educational developments, SPA reported Friday that a dressmaking training center has been opened in Buraidah and it will register girls anxious to take up a career in dressmaking from Saturday to Oct. 3.

Applicants should be Saudis, over 16 and under 25 years old. The minimum qualification is an elementary school leaving certificate, a medical certificate and a certificate of good conduct.

They will be examined for entry to the center, in a test to be held in Buraidah First Girls' Intermediate School.

King Khaled recently ordered that graduates of dressmaking training centers be granted SR100,000 to set themselves up in business. Recent edicts have forbidden men to work as women's dressmakers.

In Hasa, the Education Directorate Thursday opened a secondary school in Qarrah and four elementary schools in Hofuf, Mubrah, Qarrah and Muqattil.

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Chinese protein project to start with \$ 4 million

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JEDDAH, Sept. 19 — The initial working capital for the Nationalist Chinese-Saudi plan to manufacture single cell protein will be roughly \$ 4 million.

It is understood that this sum will cover preliminary purchases of scientific equipment, and will not include other costs of setting up the project such as land, construction and housing.

The single cell protein research plan was one of several agreements signed at a meeting in Jeddah this week of the Sino-Saudi Joint Commission on Technical and Economic Cooperation.

Single cell protein, potentially a valuable animal feed, can be synthesized from methane and bacteria. Methane is a by product of natural gas.

Although synthesizing the protein from methane is not as cost ef-

ficient as manufacturing it from soy beans, production is seen as a way further to diversify the petrochemical industries that will be built around the associated natural gas collection project in the Eastern Province.

The Chinese recently signed agreements for a \$ 300 million ammonia-urea fertilizer plant in Jubail. That plant will be built as a joint venture of Saudi Basic Industries Corporation and the Taiwan Fertilizer Company.

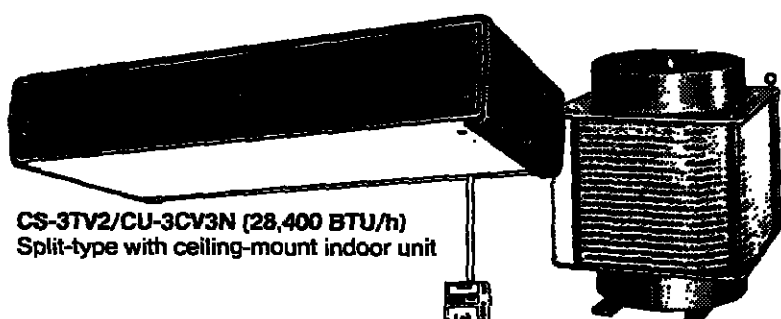
China Petroleum Corporation, the state-run Taiwanese oil company, will collaborate in the protein project with the Saudi Arabian National Center for Science and Technology in Riyadh. H.T. Lee, the president of China Petroleum, attended this week's meetings in Jeddah.

Scientists from China will be arriving in the Kingdom as soon as a starting date is chosen.

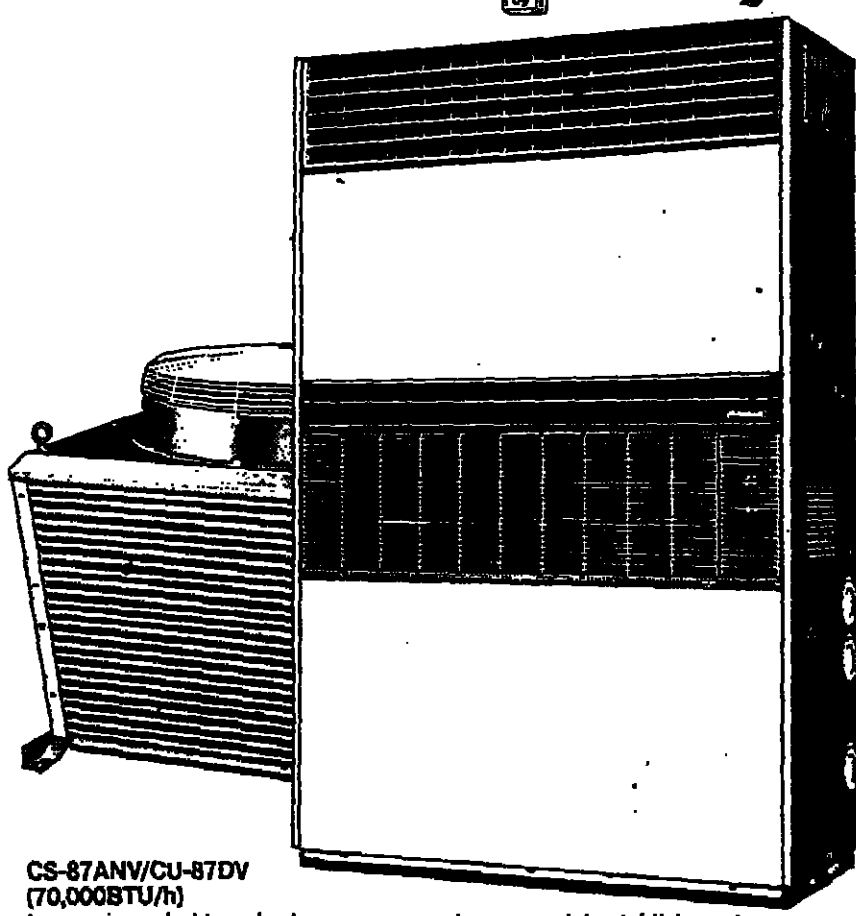
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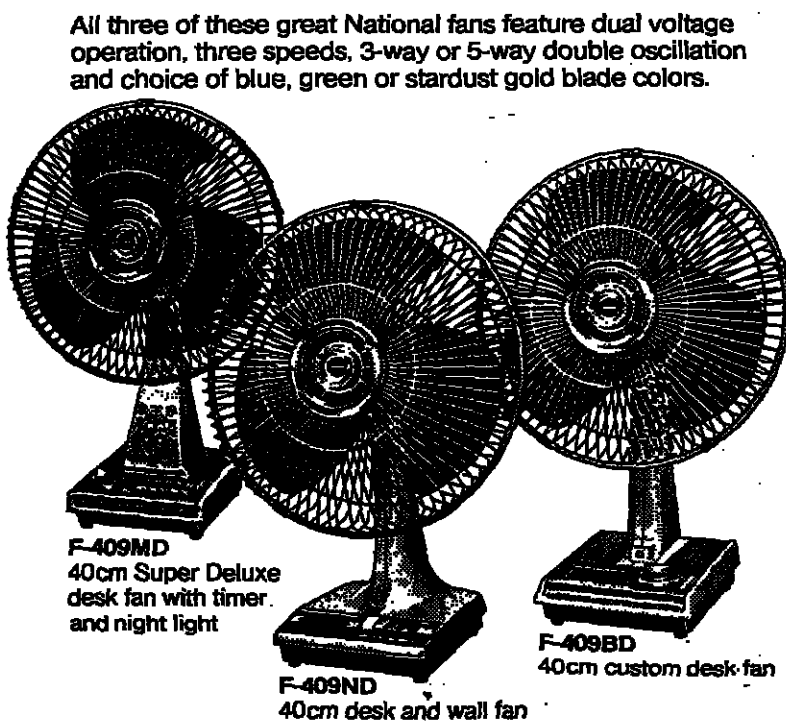
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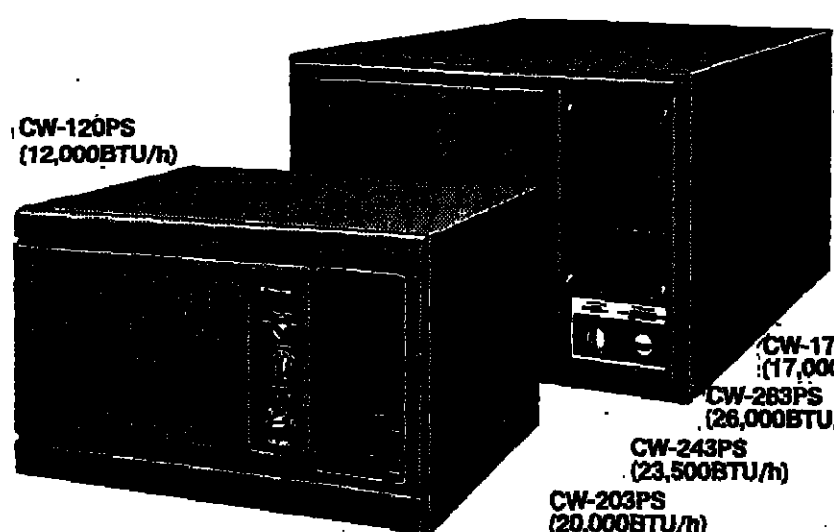


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Riyadh power demand grows 50% a year

RIYADH, Sept. 21 (SPA) — Riyadh's consumption of electricity is increasing at 50 per cent a year, the highest rate in the world and up to 40 per cent of the Kingdom's supply.

Abdul Aziz Abdul Wahed, the director of the Riyadh Electricity Company, said Friday that the

rapid growth in demand was the chief cause of delays in installing electricity supply services to the whole of the city. Another reason was that people were building their houses away from the center, and it was hard to keep pace with expansion.

He also blamed unplanned and unanticipated construction: "People," he said, "start building without even checking if there are any services."

To prevent power cuts, the company was raising the capacity of its network of overhead cables from 4,160 kilovolts to 13,800 kilovolts. A section 55 kilometers long would soon be operating on the new capacity.

He also blamed contractors in different areas of town for power cuts, as they frequently accidentally cut cables.

A seventh electric power station will be set up in the industrial zone, off Al-Kharj road, and start operating in June next year.

The contract to set up the SR 743 million plant was signed with

General Electric last July. It also provided for the installation of a fuel pipeline from Riyadh refinery to the plant and a one year training course for 16 Saudi engineers on maintenance and cooperation at the General Electric compound.

The plant will be made up of 16 gas turbine generating units geared to produce 800,000 kilowatts each.

Abdul Wahed said that among the most important projects carried out by the company were the expansion of a 132 kilovolt network, the establishment of a branch station, and a major expansion of the 33 kilovolt network in 1980.

He added that there is also a long-term plan running until 1995 to step up the capacity of the country's 500 kilovolts and 132 kilovolt networks supply loads of up to 400,000 megawatts.

He said that the maximum load at present was 470 megawatts.

The company will also reinforce low capacity networks and set up two further fuel pipelines from

Riyadh refinery to the fourth and fifth plants.

He said that the company was hiring more engineers and technicians and exerting efforts to avoid any delays in supplying power to the public.

He said that the company put a great deal of emphasis on training Saudis. It had sent 60 Saudis to study engineering and English and train in the United States, Holland and Britain.

He added that an institute was set up in the company this year to provide a two-year training course in electricity and mechanics.

French food fest slated

JEDDAH, Sept. 21 — The chairman of the Jeddah Chamber of Commerce, Sheikh Ismail Abu Dawood, will open a French Food Festival at the Meridien Hotel on Oct. 6.

Meridien Manager Mike Najm told Arab News Friday that in addition to the hotel's own French chef a master chef will be flown out from France for the occasion.

Twenty-five French food companies will exhibit their products in the ballroom. The festival itself will be held at the Vendome Restaurant.

On Crown Prince's orders

SR840m compensation to be paid

JEDDAH, Sept. 21 — Crown Prince Fahd has instructed Sheikh Muhammad Abha Al-Khail, minister of finance and national economy and acting minister of municipal and rural affairs, to pay compensation totalling SR840 million to people whose land has been expropriated by the government.

Al-Bilad Thursday quoted Jeddah Mayor Muhammad Said Faris as saying that the Crown Prince had instructed that the money be paid next month.

In another interview, Faris announced that squatters' shacks, buildings and fences put up on the beach at Obhur will be demolished so as to allow the public free access to the area.

He said squatters who did not own the beach were preventing the public from enjoying it.

He also said that open-air cafeterias will be built in the Corniche recreational project, on reclaimed land running along the sea from downtown Jeddah to Jannat. A large part of the project is complete, and children's playgrounds, car parks and swimming pools will also be built there.

In the Eastern Province, it was announced Friday that the Rural Services Complex in Jafar will survey 18 nearby villages to examine their future requirements for

utilities. A SR5.15 million project to drain 167,000 square meters of swampland in Jafar and Taraf has been completed, and a public garden will shortly be built in Jafar.

In Dammam, Sami Foda, director of the Eastern province's road administration, said that work has been finished on the SR130 million, five-lane Azizia road in Al-Khobar.

The cost included drilling two artesian wells, building a drainage system, planting roadside trees

and putting up lighting.

In Taif, young men taking part in the seventh Arab Work Camp have begun planting trees along the main streets of the town. They are being helped by municipality experts.

The trees have been chosen to suit the Saudi climate, and are being planted along Jafar, Qamaria, Alport and Abu Bakr streets.

Over 200 young men from Arab states are taking part in the camp. It opened Monday.

Organized by OIC

Sharia seminar planned

ISLAMABAD, Sept. 21 (SPA) — An international seminar on Sharia law will be held here Oct. 9 to 12. It is set up by the Jeddah-based Organization of the Islamic Conference.

President Zia ul-Haq will open the seminar, which will discuss the meaning of the Islamic state, Jihad, policy and economy. Saudis are among the scholars and ulama attending the seminar.

In Algiers, Islamic Development Bank President Dr. Ahmad Muhammad Ali Thursday signed an agreement to lend \$35 million to the Algerian National Steel

Products Company to buy new machinery.

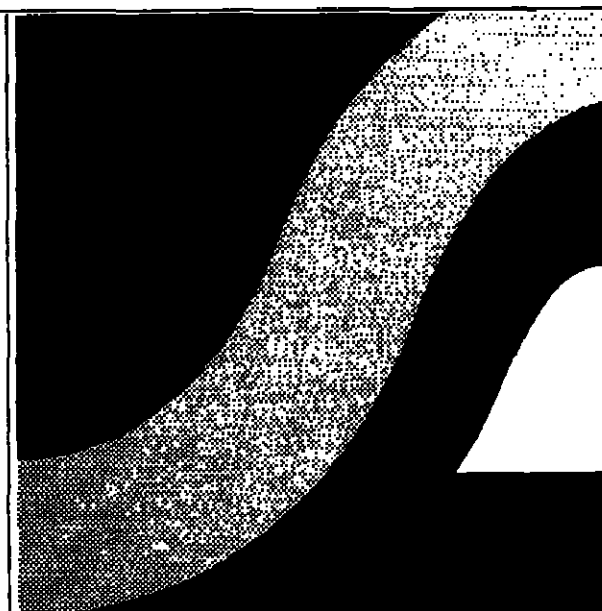
Ali is in Algiers for talks with senior officials and ministers. On Wednesday he was received by President Benjedid Chadli.

Jeddah Port throughput increases

JEDDAH, Sept. 21 — Jeddah Port has announced an increase of more than a quarter in tonnage handled in August over the same month in 1978.

Last year 1,614,718 tons were discharged and 485,678 loaded during August. This year that figure grew by 26.37 per cent to 1,934,965 tons discharged and 719,367 loaded.

Perhaps significantly, 342 vessels called at Jeddah, an increase of only two over August 1978's 340. A marked swing to containerization was shown, with the number of container ships rising from 48 to 64, multi-purpose falling from 28 to 12 and Ro-Ro declining from 58 to 38.



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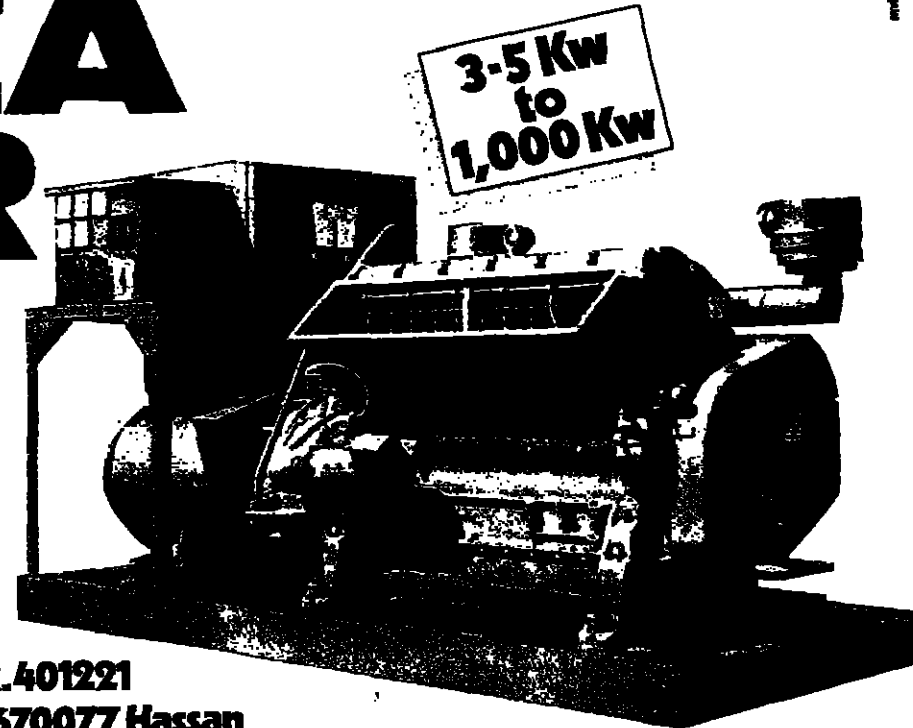
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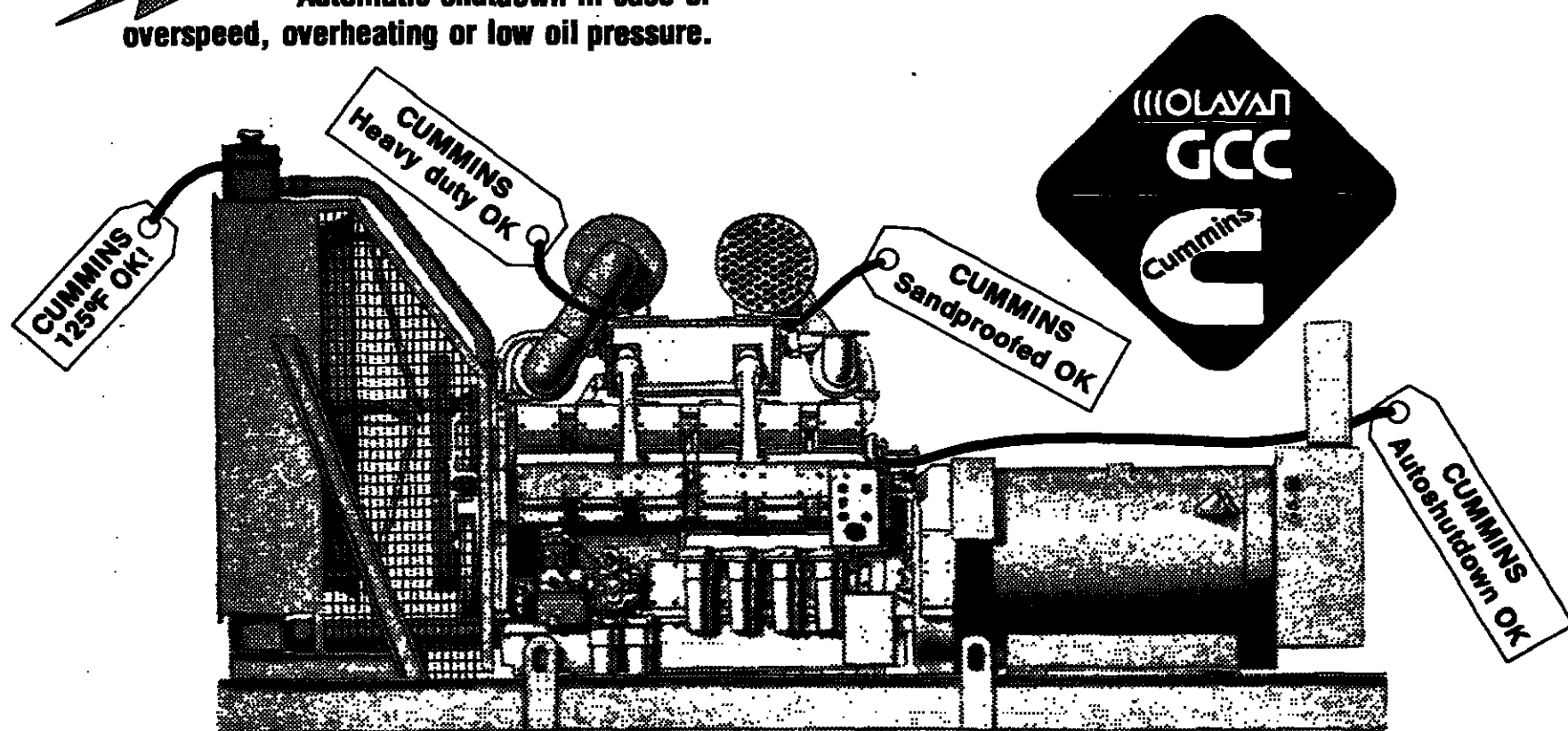
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Sources say

U.S. reply to Egypt's arms request positive

Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, Sept. 21 — The Carter administration is reacting favorably to Egypt's massive new arms request, and may agree to most of the items on the Egyptian Defense Ministry's shopping list, including weaponry, Egyptian sources said here Thursday.

"The arms request has received a good deal of understanding from the American side," one source said.

A large Egyptian delegation headed by Defense Minister Kamal Hassan Ali is now in Washington holding talks with Pentagon and other administration officials.

The delegation includes an array of Egyptian military experts, who are discussing the details of the arms request with their counterparts in the Pentagon, sources said.

Egypt is proposing a comprehensive re-equipment plan for its armed forces, replacing obsolescent Soviet equipment with new American weaponry.

The Egyptian arms request includes all kinds of military hardware from the advanced F-16 fighter aircraft to tanks to small arms.

Israel is trying to persuade the Carter administration to deny Egypt's request for any advanced weaponry, including the F-16, diplomatic sources said.

These sources indicated that if the White House goes along with Egypt's request for advanced arms, Israel will provoke a public confrontation with the U.S. over the sales.

Congress must approve any administration plan to sell additional arms to Egypt.

Members of the Egyptian delegation here have been holding unpublicized meetings with senators and congressmen in an effort to convince them to support any administration request for arms sales to Egypt.

The Egyptians are telling Congress they want to end all dependence on Soviet weaponry and totally re-equip the armed forces along American lines, sources said.

Egypt is telling the lawmakers: "Don't make the same mistake you made in 1954." This is a reference to the U.S. decision then not to fund construction of the Aswan Dam — a move that led to a massive Soviet economic and military presence in Egypt.

The Egyptian delegation is keeping a low profile, and its members are declining interviews with media.

One of the key non-military members of the delegation is Osama el-Baz, a foreign ministry official who played a key role in the Egyptian-Israeli treaty negotiations.

Egypt's ambassador to the U.S., Ashraf Ghorbal, is also working with the delegation, and is reportedly taking part in all high-level negotiations with U.S. officials.

Meanwhile in Cairo, the Associated Press said that while Egypt is seeking more military aid from the United States, reports have surfaced that President Sadat's government is maintaining its arms link with the Soviet Union.

Western military sources, who insisted on being anonymous, said 40 Soviet-made helicopter engines as well as spare parts for trucks recently had been delivered by Moscow.

One source said the Egyptians apparently bought the spares on a cash-and-carry basis in a deal arranged by the Soviet Embassy in Cairo.

But a Soviet diplomat said he "doubted" the report and a high-ranking Egyptian military source said he could not confirm it.

The Soviet Union, for 20 years Egypt's major source of military hardware, cut off shipments in 1975 as Sadat's regime turned increasingly toward the West.

Sadat has repeatedly complained about the Soviet "arms embargo" that has made it difficult for his army to obtain needed spare parts for missiles, tanks and aircraft which are the backbone of Egypt's military machine.

In late 1977, Sadat unilaterally slapped a moratorium on repaying \$10 billion in debts to the Soviets but has left the door open to a possible reconciliation.

PLO seen mediating between Iran, Gulf

KUWAIT, Sept. 21 (AP) — A senior Palestinian official is embarking on a Gulf tour in an effort to defuse growing tensions between Iran's revolutionary government and the Gulf states, a local newspaper reported Friday.

"A Gulf summit conference attended by Iran could remove present suspicions between the Arabs and Iran and help normalize Arab-Iranian relations," Hani Al-Hassan, the representative of the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) in Tehran told the newspaper *Al-Anbaa*.

A PLO leader is to tour the area shortly to propose the idea of staging this summit conference, Al-Hassan added.

"The Arabs fear possible Iranian domination, but such fears are not based on a proper analysis of Iran's attitude," Al-Hassan said.

Al-Hassan's proposal coincided with mounting criticism of Iran in the Gulf press. This in turn resulted from threats against some of the states by Iranian religious leaders.

(Two Shiite religious leaders were kidnapped while leaving a mosque in Dubai in the United Arab Emirates, on Wednesday



Hani Al-Hassan

night, Tehran radio reported Thursday).

The two arrived in Dubai after being deported from Bahrain for staging illegal demonstrations last week.

Bahrain's Interior Minister Sheikh Muhammad Ben Khalifa issued a strongly-worded statement at the time saying his government would "strike with an iron fist" against demagogues trying to sabotage relations between Bahrain and Iran.

Two Pakistani army officers defect, call for Zia's ouster

LONDON, Sept. 21 (AP) — Two senior Pakistani army officers have announced their resignations to protest martial law in their homeland imposed by Gen. Zia Ul-Haq and said they are forming a liberation movement to oust him.

Brig. Usman Khaled, commander of the Pakistani Army's Artillery School, called for Zia's resignation and the withdrawal of constitutional changes made by his regime.

He warned at a news conference in London Thursday that if this had not happened by the end of this month he hoped for mass res-

ignations by senior officers in Pakistan.

Usman was accompanied by Lt. Col. Muhammad Ilyas-Shamim.

Both are from Punjab province.

Usman charged that general elections planned for November will not be fair or free because changes in electoral law and the introduction of proportional representation will prevent the late Zulfikar Ali Bhutto's Pakistan People's Party from winning.

The defecting brigadier claimed that the PPP has the support of the majority of Pakistan's voters.

Usman is the first ranking officer to resign from the army



IN VIENNA: Egyptian Vice President Hosni Mubarak (right) arrives at Vienna airport Tuesday for a two-day official visit. Mubarak is welcomed by Austrian Chancellor Bruno Kreisky.

Over Palestinian strategy

West Bank mayors deny split

Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, Sept. 21 — Two prominent West Bank mayors stress there is no split in the Palestinian national movement in the occupied territories, despite Israeli Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan's recent meetings with two Palestinian notables.

Hebron Mayor Fahd Kawasme and Ramallah Mayor Karim Khalaf, here for a Palestinian

rights conference, told "Arab News" Dayan's meetings did not reflect any divisions over strategy among Palestinians in the occupied territories.

Dayan recently held discussions with Gaza notable Haidar Abdul Shafei and West Bank figure Hamzeh Natshe.

Both Kawasme and Khalaf were critical of the Dayan-Natshe meeting, noting that Natshe had not consulted with the other West Bank notables before agreeing to meet an Israeli official.

But the meeting did not mean Natshe was straying from the general Palestinian strategy in the occupied territories, the mayors stressed.

Khalaf and Kawasme are taking part in the annual conference of the Washington-based Palestine Human Rights Campaign, being held here this weekend.

The mayors said they had no other reason for being in Washington at this time. They said they were not planning to meet with U.S. officials and had not been asked to do so.

But the two men said they would be willing to hold talks with leaders of the American black community, if asked.

One such leader — the Rev.

Jesse Jackson of operation PUSH — is also scheduled to take part in the Palestinian rights conference this weekend.

Other prominent figures slated to participate in the conference are Rep. Paul Findley of Illinois, an active supporter of a U.S.-PLO dialogue, Felicia Langer, an Israeli Attorney noted for her defense of Palestinians, and Alexandra Johnson, the former U.S. diplomat in Jerusalem who exposed Israel's systematic use of torture against Palestinian detainees.

In a separate development, Reuters reported from Tel Aviv that the Israeli Knesset (parliament) foreign affairs and defense committee Wednesday rejected Deputy Prime Minister Yigael Yadin's appeal against the proposed establishment of two new settlements in the West Bank.

Yadin, whose small Democratic Party is a member of the coalition government, told the committee that he opposed the new settlements because they were to be located too close to populated Palestinian areas.

The cabinet had approved their construction while Yadin was out of the country and he appealed to the powerful Knesset committee upon his return to Israel.

Iran, Oman discuss Hormuz security

TEHRAN, Sept. 21 (R) — Iran and Oman have discussed the security of the Straits of Hormuz, the narrow waterway at the mouth of the Gulf guarding the access to the world's main oil supplies.

The talks coincided with an announcement that the Iranian Navy would stage maneuvers in the Gulf on Sept. 23 in its first show of military strength since the February revolution.

Omani special envoy Ali Habib Wednesday met a senior official of the Iranian Foreign Ministry.

The ministry, which appears to have been highly embarrassed by the visit, has not released any details on the talks.

Habib, until recently Oman's ambassador to Tehran was sent by Oman leader Sultan Qaboos Bin Said, on a special mission to Iraq and Iraq to discuss ways of increasing the security of the Straits. Oman and Iran face each other across the waterway.

Rear-Adm. Ahmad Madani, head of the Iranian Navy, said in an interview that the naval exercise on Sept. 23 would be followed by joint maneuvers by the Iranian armed forces three weeks later.

Blast rocks crowded cafe in Jerusalem

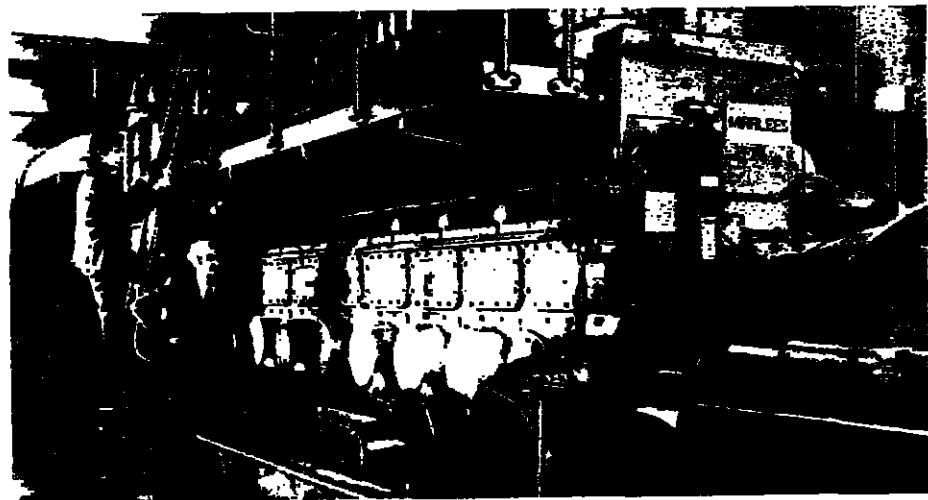
TEL AVIV, Sept. 21 (Agencies) — Twenty persons remained hospitalized Thursday following a bomb blast in a crowded Jerusalem cafe Wednesday night in which one man died and 42 persons were wounded.

A spokesman for Jerusalem's Hadassah Hospital said four of the injured were in serious condition.

The blast occurred as Jerusalem's Ben Yehuda street was crowded with shoppers making last-minute purchases for the Jewish new year, which begins Friday.

At the United Nations, Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim Thursday expressed deep grief over the bomb incident.

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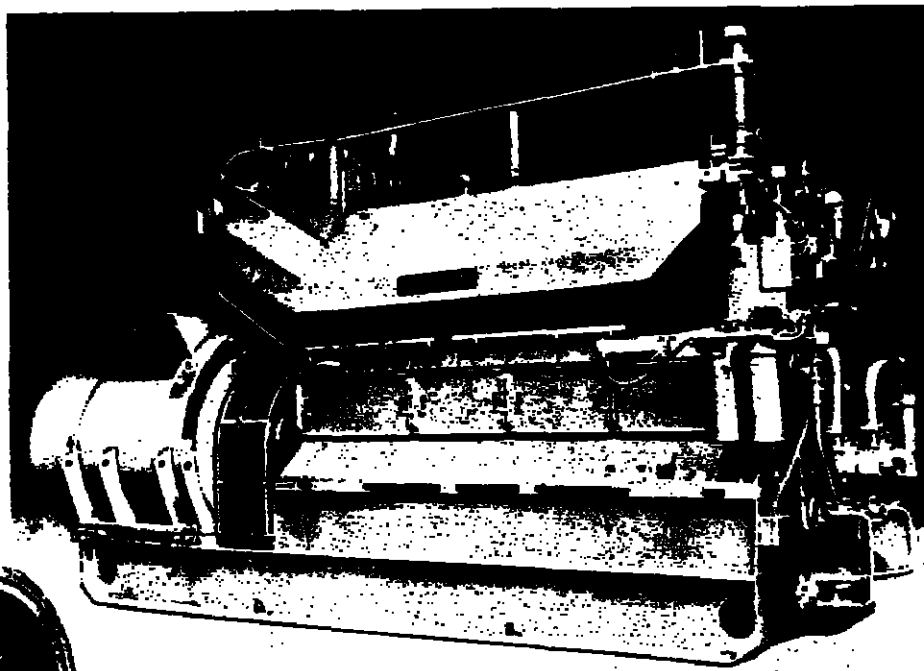
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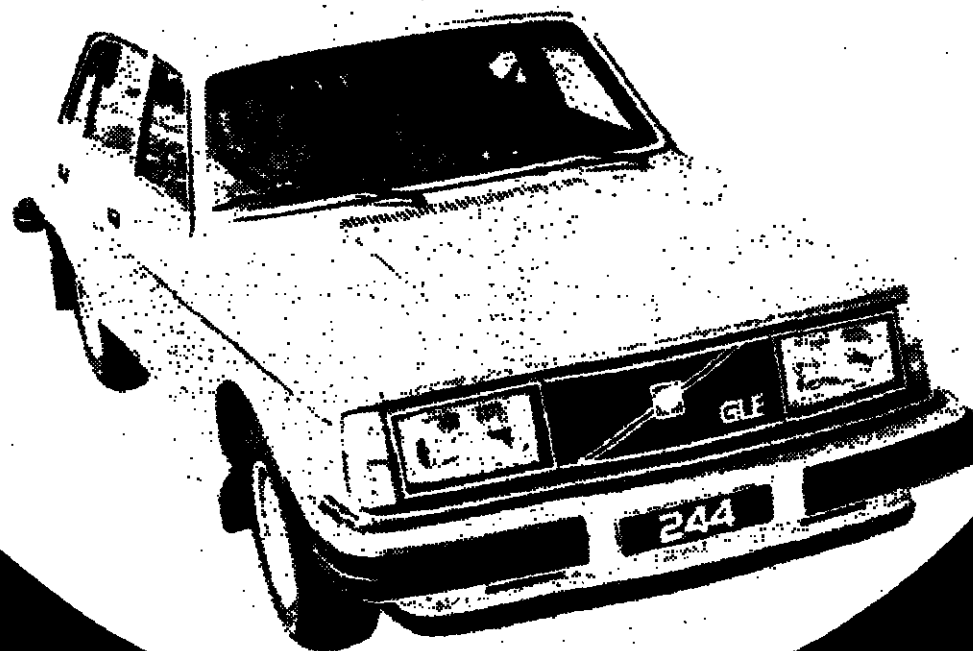
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Dining out Korean style

By Box Wallah

JEDDAH — The Sil Ra restaurant here proudly bears one of the ancient names of Korea.

It was the misfortune of the large numbers of foreigners who went there in the Fifties for the War, when Korea was a little known country, that we had no chance to see much of the culture or sample the national cuisine. The transformation of Korea into an industrial power has brought many of her workers and technicians to Jeddah. On the evening when we went to try the food, it seemed that a good proportion of them were enjoying it, also. That is a good sign, of course. If the experts like what is on offer, then it will probably be authentic and of good value.

The restaurant is off the Macaroni Road in a large, villa-type building. Apart from a beautifully executed mural of water birds at the upstairs entrance, there is nothing to suggest "The Land of the Morning Calm." Indeed, as we arrived, the cook's latest offspring was crawling noisily and enthusiastically between the tables like a potential Genghis Khan. The atmosphere, then, was family and businesslike. The objectives gastronomic, not esthetic.

We were handed menus listing about 100 dishes, including some recognizably Chinese and Japanese ones. Inevitably, Korean cooking falls somewhere between the two, though Kimchi, a kind of pickle, is uniquely Korean. It has been much refined in recent years, but traditionally the rural dish was spiced cabbage and white radish kept for months in a semi-fermented state in huge earthenware jars. The pungent smell, making garlic seem inoffensive, would carry before you, for a hundred meters or so, the news of your coming.

We ordered crab meat soup and seafood soup to start. The first was a thick soup with a creamed maize base, rather bland but hot and pleasant. One can add a variety of sauces at the table to modify the food to one's taste — soya, sesame, and ajinomoto. The seafood soup was a clear broth containing pieces of prawn fish, carrot and lettuce, piping hot and good to stimulate the palate.

To follow we asked for Chicken Jigdon and Beef Jhon Roo. The chicken was a stewed dish producing a thick gravy, with carrots, onions and mushrooms; the meat was tender, subtly flavored and served with plain, white rice.

While we were eating this, the Beef Jhon Roo was bubbling away in the skillet. Every table has its own cooking stove and a large number of the dishes are prepared "before your very eyes." Waiters appeared from time to time to stir the ingredients; strips of beef, onion, cabbage, carrot, mushroom, pimiento, garlic and clear noodles seething in a clear stock. Small dishes containing sesame oil were set down, and when the dish was ready (it cooked very quickly, vegetables crisp) we ladled out helpings onto the sesame oil and finished them off with the rice. It was very interesting and tasty food and more than we could eat.

We spoke to Mekonnen, one of the waiters (he is a Copt from Ethiopia) about the restaurant afterwards. He was saying that they have been open for business for two months and that so far, most of the clientele are Koreans. They hope to attract all sorts when the Sil Ra becomes better known. There are seats for about 100 patrons at 20 tables and another three rooms for small private parties.

Lunches are from 12 to 4 and Dinners from 7:30 to 12.



A falcon trainer with his ward in Bahrain

Anwar Sadat's autobiography

"In Search of Identity: An Autobiography," by Anwar el Sadat. Fontana Paperbacks, London: 1978. £1.50 sterling.

By F.W. Rawding

JEDDAH — At the time of Gamal Nasser's premature death in 1970, Egypt was in a state of collapse produced by enormous political and economic problems. Nasser's successor would take on a task of appalling complexity not the least cause of which was the egocentric power system which Nasser had created after abolishing the historical, political and social structures of the country. Anwar el Sadat had, apparently, only one trump card in his hand. In the December before he died, Nasser had made him the only Vice President and in doing so had nominated him successor. Constitutionally, Sadat became acting President and his position was, in effect, unassailable.

Most Egyptians felt that the choice had fallen on Sadat chiefly because he had never openly disagreed with Nasser and was, on the whole, a colorless, middle of the road, cautious functionary who would be unlikely to divide the nation. He was not the popular choice of either the right or left wings of Egyptian politics, but he was supported by the Army. Its loyalty was to be tested almost immediately in a trial of strength between Sadat and the left-wing challenger, Ali Sabri, who was later tried, with others, for conspiring against the state.

Sadat quickly bid for mass popularity in a series of speeches promising to end abuses of power which had affected all citizens, especially the middle classes, during Nasser's revolutionary regime. A sharp swing to the right was anticipated. Sadat's early months of office, however, were devoted more to establishing power than asserting ideology. He was seen to be a moderate pragmatist.

The autobiography of such a man, a book inscribed "For the love of Peace" and dedicated to the village of Mit Abul Kum from which he sprang, is certain to be interesting. Important too, because he is the undisputed and popular leader of the most numerous Arab country and the one with the longest history of culture and civilization. Thought provoking too, because of what it reveals about the man and how he has survived.

The title, "In Search of Identity," suggests that he has not yet found one, and that thought is reinforced as one reads through the book. Certainly, he says surprisingly little about his parents and his immediate family. His friendships are shadowy and he is severely critical of Nasser. Sadat emerges as a lonely, self-reliant man who very rarely puts his trust in others and reveals his whole mind to nobody. So this autobiography, one suspects, conceals a great deal of the interior Sadat beyond revelations of public policy and the apologetics of the Great Game of international affairs.

It is possible to read two motives into his account of the way he used the good will of friendly, disposed British officers of the occupying forces, "the enemy," to secure favored entrance into the army as a young man, while, at the same time, plotting with the Muslim Brotherhood to destroy them — either burning patriotism or cynical unscrupulousness.

The muffled attempt to establish contact with Rommel's Afrika Corps before El Alamein by sending one of his "free officer" comrades (not going himself, you notice) in a light aircraft with Anglo-Egyptian markings, and being aggrieved when the Germans shot it down, suggests a kind of ingenuousness, which, his critics might argue, he has not abandoned with his youth.

His behavior later in prison, when he accused his Anglo-Egyptian captors (falsely, as he admits) of torture, is, perhaps, less honorable than one would expect of a man who, throughout his book, insists upon the sincerity of his religious faith and his love of truth.

However, it may be, sad but true, that a kind of self-critical duplicity is the price that individuals and nations pay to survive centuries of occupation and abuse by foreigners; in Egypt's case, from Persians, Greeks and Mamlukes in former times to Turks, French, British and Russians in more recent years. The jungle of independent Egypt's politics, one supposes, sharpened both tooth and claw and heightened all the watchful instincts of self preservation in public men.

That is not to argue either moral or physical cowardice but to enlarge upon Sadat's own assertion that he is a fellow of the village. For such, the imperatives of nature are holding onto the land at all costs, taking life from it, yielding to it one's sweat and finally, surrendering to it one's dust. It is his attachment to the soil and to the fellowman which is the most admirable quality to emerge from Sadat's book: it flows like a river through what he permits us to know of his personality and is clearly the well spring of his life.

Sadat gives a fascinating account of the evolution of the independence movement and the overthrow of King Farouk in 1952. His explanation of the intrigues between the officers who eventually composed the Revolutionary Council suggests that he himself was above personal ambition, but this is unlikely in a man who ends his career as Head of State. On the whole, Nasser does not come out well in Sadat's analysis of events, though his charismatic effect on the masses is never denied. The 11 years of Nasser's rule, from July 1956 to 1967, are described in detail, as is the trauma of defeat. This is the most interesting section of the book and an important contribution to historical writing. The tangled skein of Egyptian-Russian relations is well explained; so is the new alliance between Egypt and the United States.

In October 1973, with much sacrifice, the Egyptian army had its first important military successes in modern times. The position of strength in which Sadat found himself afterwards is the basis of contemporary Egyptian foreign policy. It remains to be seen whether it will have helped or harmed the cause of peace and justice in the Middle East.

Sadat's book is worth reading, though the fulsome language of self justification and, frequently, of self praise, cloy the palate and somewhat diminishes the taste of the man. One thought that he had more integrity, single mindedness and courage than the evidence of "In Search of Identity" itself suggests.



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STANFIELD'S MISSION

Canadian special Middle East envoy Robert Stanfield did not have to undertake his trip to the Arab states to learn what they think of his mission. He already knows it and so does Prime Minister Joe Clark. If he imagines that he may be able to win Muslim blessings for Clark's plan to transfer the Canadian embassy from Tel Aviv to occupied Jerusalem he is irretrievably wrong.

Clark pledged during his election campaign that if elected he would oblige Canadian Jews and international Zionism by transferring his embassy to occupied Jerusalem. A novice as he was in international affairs, he did not know or did not care what the 700 million Muslims or the world felt about his intentions as long as his pledge won him a few votes and the premiership of Canada, a text book case of vote-getting at any price.

Stanfield must have been told already in Jordan and Turkey what the Arabs whose territories are occupied by Israel and the Muslims whose holy city is trampled, have said all along.

Here, too, he will be told the same thing - but in stronger terms for the Saudis, as custodians of the holiest shrines in Islam, feel very strongly about Jerusalem, the first of the Qiblas and the third holiest place in Islam.

Canada knows very well that the Israelis occupied the Arab territories of Palestine by force of arms, including Arab Jerusalem, and announced their intention to hold on to it forever against all the rules of international law and the United Nations resolutions to which Canada subscribes.

If Clark decides to abrogate those, he will be surprised by the fury of Arab reaction and the vehemence of the world's Muslims who will, rightly, view his action as a senseless slap to which they must reply in kind.

If, therefore, he wishes to pander to Israel, he must expect to lose Muslim friendship on a scale that could not have occurred to him. The Arabs are seeking a peaceful solution of the Middle East problem that guarantees the rights of the Palestinian people, the restoration of their occupied lands including Jerusalem and a homeland for the millions of people expelled by the Israelis. Canadian recognition of the illegal occupation of the holy city will not help that. And if Clark goes on to carry out his election pledge, he must brace himself for the consequences.

AMERICA'S PAUSE

The maxim which the American administration seems to have taken to heart at the moment is: "discretion is the better part of valor." For while it has become convinced that it can no longer persuade other Arab states to join the Israeli-Egyptian peace process, and that there is in fact no acceptable Palestinian representation except through the PLO, its response has been simply to do nothing, thus avoiding all possible trouble.

The question of peace in the Middle East is thus to be left marking time, at least until the presidential election campaign is over. This, in effect, will mean that Israel and Egypt are free to pursue their bilateral agreements without let or hindrance, so that the United States, whenever it feels free to reengage in the problem, will find before it a more complicated, perhaps more dangerous picture.

What then of the Palestinian "autonomy" negotiations? American envoy Strauss had an answer as he spoke to Israeli journalists. He said that the United States has "changed its policy": that it now believes that discussion of the basic issues around which Egypt and Israel are still in deep disagreement has to be postponed to a later stage.

Strauss has not been the only American official to voice such a view. Harold Saunders of the State Department said the United States has no plans to bring King Hussein of Jordan into the negotiations. (The Jordanian King has, in any case, declared his refusal to join.)

Saunders' and Strauss' views are, in fact, variations on the same theme. This is the postponement of all genuine effort for an "autonomy" formula acceptable to the Palestinians. While more senior American officials do not agree with this, Carter's internal problems will ensure that the more junior view will prevail.

Carter, of course, would have liked nothing better than a new "breakthrough" in the Middle East, given his dwindling popularity. Yet he also realizes that to try and fail would be fatal for his chances in the election campaign.

The new American line on the Middle East has coincided with Senator Edward Kennedy's challenge to Carter: Especially as the senator has chosen the American economy as the ground on which to meet the administration. The senator, observers have felt, wants to use this area where the president's failure has been manifest to justify standing for Democratic nomination against him.

It was assumed that the president was going to seek help from the wealthy Arab states for America's economic woes, so that his own reelection chances would be improved. In fact, those states did provide help a few months back, expecting a more equitable American stance towards the Middle East in return. Yet this time around, it might be that the troubles with the American economy need internal reform first before external help can be of use.

An 'Emperor' loses his crown

By Rester

PARIS — Central African Emperor Bokassa I, a fervent admirer of Napoleon Bonaparte, was a dictator whose harsh rule mingled displays of imperial extravagance with savage killings, including a reported massacre of 150 schoolchildren this year.

His overthrow came within months of the ousting of African rulers Idi Amin of Uganda and Francisco Macias Nguema of Equatorial Guinea, who also headed oppressive administrations.

Bokassa, who ruled diamond-rich former French colony for 13 years, was regarded by his many critics abroad as both a comic and dangerous figure. Short in stature, he wore a specially lengthened tunic to accommodate his numerous medals and decorations.

After he declared the Central African Republic an empire and installed himself as Emperor Bokassa I in 1976, he decreed that government ministers and diplomats must bow when coming within six feet of him.

Last month a five-nation African commission found that the 58-year-old emperor had ordered, and almost certainly taken part in, the massacre of about 150 schoolchildren in January and April this year.

In 1971 his rule came under severe criticism when he ordered that thieves should have one ear cut off for one theft, two ears for two thefts, their right hands for three thefts, and be executed for four.

The first wave of the new punishments was said to have been carried out under his personal supervision, and the victims were later displayed in Bangui's main square. Pictures of prisoners in striped prison fatigues with blood pouring down their faces appeared throughout the world's press, creating a storm of international criticism.

In 1970 his search for a daughter born in Vietnam, where he served in the French army, ended with a foreign relations crisis and his adoption of two claimants from the Southeast Asian country.

He put one under house arrest and accused her of espionage. He charged France, South Vietnam and the United States Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) with complicity in the affair.

U.N. Secretary General Kurt Waldheim protested at his treatment of thieves in 1971, but Bokassa was unrepentant.

"Let the thieves of the whole world go and pillage the U.N. Secretary General's office or the headquarters of the League of Human Rights if they want, but on our soil we say 'no,'" he declared.

While he ruled firmly and declared his enthusiasm for "law and order", Emperor Bokassa's time in office was marked by three coup attempts, one in 1973 and two in 1976.

In February 1976, he escaped an assassination attempt when a hand grenade was thrown in his direction at Bangui Airport. One of his entourage was killed.

Eight people, including President Bokassa's son-in-law Fidel Odro, were executed for their part in the attack.

A coup attempt was made in November 1976 while he was in Zaire. He returned quickly to control the situation.

Only yesterday his eldest son Georges, exiled to France after a bitter feud with his father, made a prophetic remark, that the emperor might be ousted, in an interview with the weekly *Paris Match* magazine.

He added, "If my father goes, the whole country will suffer a bloodbath because there are no fewer than 20 tribes who cannot stand each other. The whole region would be destabilized."

Bokassa came to power in 1966, after a coup which overthrew his nephew, President David Dacko, later employed by him as an advisor. Dacko was a moving force behind the coup which toppled him.

First indications that President Bokassa, who had been promoted to the military rank of marshal in 1974, was contemplating a change of title came in June 1976 when a French jeweller revealed that he had received an order for an imperial crown.

In September, he renounced all his ministerial positions. At one time, he headed 14 of his country's 16 ministries.

On December 4, an official decree changed the name of the country to the Central African Empire with Emperor Bokassa I at the head of its three million citizens.

Shortly afterwards, photographs were released of Central Africans bowing before the enthroned emperor holding the imperial mace in his arms.

Most official photographs showed him in marshal's uniform with seven gold stars. Some of his many medals were won during World War II and later with the French army in Indochina. He held at least eight Central African decorations besides many decorations from other countries.

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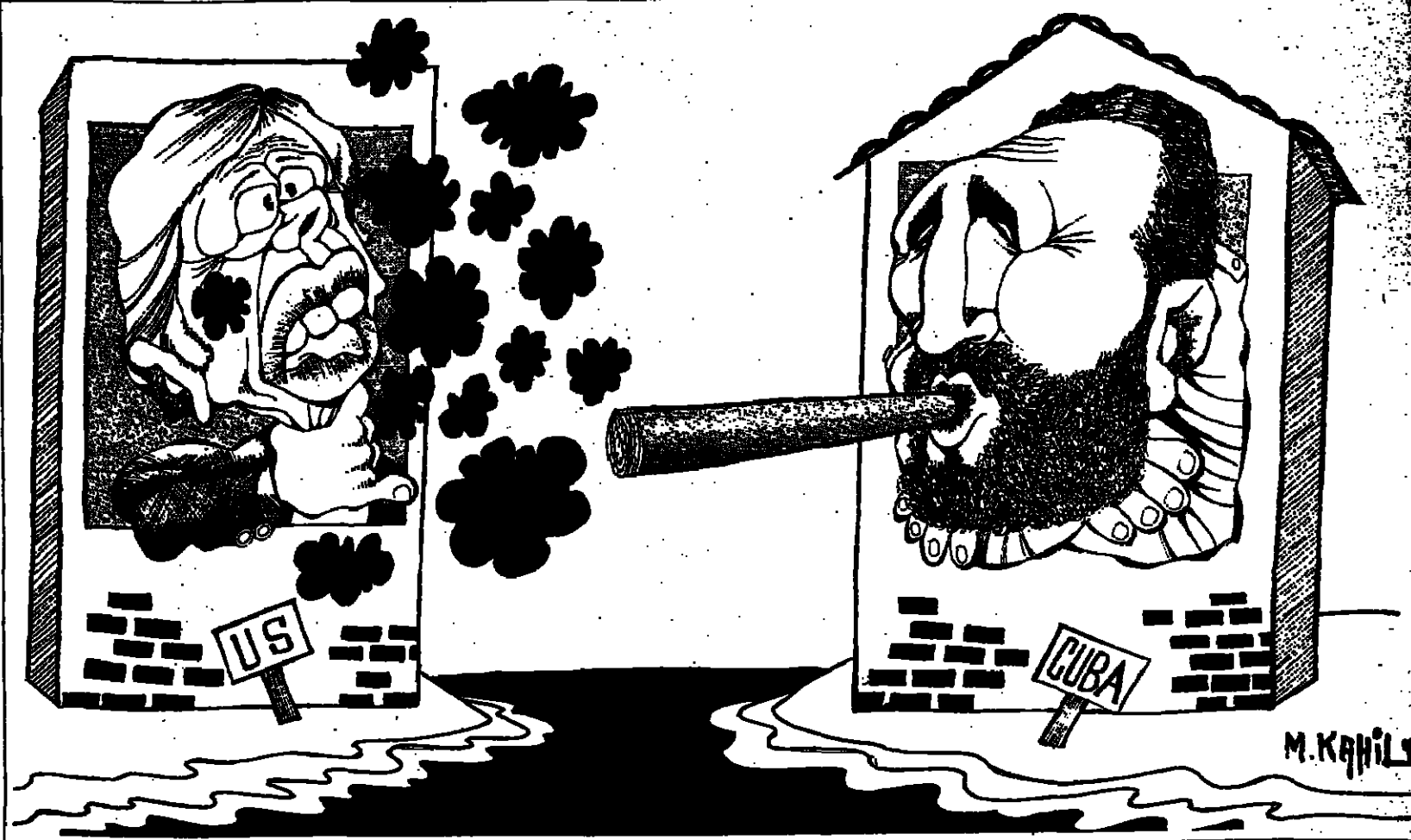
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It said that so far Israel has never received a real, hard lesson from the United Nations and urged the world body to take at least one effective measure to "transcend those hot debates, fiery speeches and condemnation resolutions."

It said that if the U.N. took specific measures to ensure the implementation of at least one out of a hundred decisions it had made previously, Israel would shrink to its real size and stop challenging the world community by practising such aggressive policies against the rightful owners of the territories it conquered in June 1967.



A general is Rhodesia's strongman

By Paul Eilman

SALISBURY — The Supreme Commander of Zimbabwe-Rhodesia's armed forces, Lt. Peter Walls, is nothing if not an optimist. Speaking recently, after the four bloodiest months of the war in terms of black civilian deaths, General Walls said: "Tactically we're pretty happy with the way things are going."

But, since the general has now taken over the slot previously occupied by Ian Smith as the cornerstone of the rickety edifice of white morale, and, by extension, that of the black-led Government which relies on white power and organization to keep it going, he could hardly be expected to think otherwise.

Not that the general would appreciate the attention increasingly being focused on his political, as opposed to purely military, importance in this country's affairs. He likes to portray himself as a bluff simple soldier, following the orders of whoever finds himself in power.

He has even gone so far as to state that he would be happy to continue as Commander-in-Chief under a government headed by either of the leaders of the Patriotic Front guerrilla alliance, Robert Mugabe and Joshua Nkomo. The situation is unlikely to arise, since neither gentleman is likely to take power without first defeating General Walls' forces.

Lately the media have perhaps provided a more successful field of operations for General Walls; than the dusty tribal lands where his war is largely fought. Television crews find him a sympathetic subject with his iron-grey hair, his firm jawline and

the easy-going manner which makes so many white Rhodesians attractive as individuals.

The image is of an unflappable figure, a man in whose hands whites feel that their conscript sons are safe from danger, a figure whom the British government feels it can rely upon to stop matters from getting out of hand through a massive escalation of the war against guerrilla bases in neighboring Zambia and Mozambique. The British Foreign Office, in particular, is only too happy to see General Walls running the show, rather than some inexperienced appointee of Abel Muzorewa who might go too far.

Clearly, though, there are some who feel that he must be guarded against himself. Or this is the conclusion that one is forced to draw after receiving a letter from a W.G. Ackhurst. She describes herself as the General's personal staff officer, informing me that an application for an interview to accompany this article has been turned down, but not by the General himself, it would appear.

"As is the routine," Mrs. Ackhurst writes, "I sent your letter for the usual security clearance, and, as General Walls receives so many requests for interviews, I am given a short list of people he should see."

Following orders, in this case presumably from the shadowy Central Intelligence Organization which often seems to see a greater threat to Zimbabwe-Rhodesia's well-being from the foreign press than from the Patriotic Front.

He is after all, both literally as well as in headline writer's terms, a soldier's soldier. His father was a colonel in the regular Army and Walls himself has never had a day as a civilian since he left school in 1944. School was at Plumtree on the south-western

border with Botswana, the spawning ground of many of the politicians who were to lead Rhodesia to UDI in 1965.

General Walls was sent to Britain's Sandhurst Military Academy shortly after enlisting and was commissioned into the Black Watch. He returned home in 1948, stepping down from the rank of lieutenant to that of corporal in the Southern Rhodesia Staff Corps, a group of Rhodesian regulars who would later form the officer corps of the Rhodesian Army.

In 1951 he was sent to Malaya and, within a month of arriving, was promoted to major and put in command of 'C' (Rhodesia) Squadron of the Special Air Service (SAS).

He still wears his SAS wings, and the experience of Malaya has, by his own account, been of enormous value against the Rhodesian guerrillas.

General Walls became Commander of the Rhodesian Army in 1972, the year the war officially began, and was appointed Commander of Combined Operations in March 1977.

The two years at ComOps, as it is known in Salisbury, have seen the war escalate to a point where, as General Walls himself put it recently, nowhere outside Salisbury can be considered safe.

The General has also made the purely political claim that the general election held last April under the umbrella of a massive mobilization of the men he commands means that black nationalist aspirations have been satisfied, a sentiment with which even his present political masters do not appear to agree, since the white grip on power will finally be eased. — (OFNS)

The dubious prospects for freeing Tibet

By Dennis Bloodworth

SINGAPORE — President Jimmy Carter is sending warily as the Dalai Lama is off on a tour of the United States to campaign for an independent Tibet.

Chinese commentators warned privately recently that any encouragement from Carter might well undermine goodwill between Washington and Peking.

The 44-year-old Buddhist leader, who has lived in exile since the Chinese smashed an armed uprising in Tibet in 1959, is influenced by the illusory hopes of headline advisers.

These are founded on the President's concern for human rights, China's alleged reliance on America for modern technology, and the money to buy it, and Chinese fears that, if thwarted, the Dalai Lama might conspire with the Russians. (He visited Moscow in March.)

But the Chinese regard Tibet as an inalienable part of China, and they would no more grant it independence than the Americans would sell Manhattan back to the Indians for the original price.

American sympathisers believe the President could be persuaded to raise the question during his visit to Peking next year, but the Chinese would not hesitate to kill that idea — on the eve of his arrival, if necessary.

Just six days before Henry Kissinger flew to Peking in 1975, the Chinese Foreign Ministry stopped smiling and bombastically denounced American toleration of a pro-Tibetan bureau in New York as "undisguised interference in China's internal affairs and a flagrant violation of the Shanghai Sino-

American communique."

It was the Shanghai communique of 1972 that persuaded the Dalai Lama that he might use enhanced American influence with Peking to free his country from its "liberation" by the Chinese in 1951.

Kissinger was not to be caught out on that limb, and since then the Dalai Lama appears to have lowered his sights to reforms that would give Tibet real autonomy in place of the "autonomy" conferred on it by Peking in 1965.

In theory these reforms are now negotiable. In 1977 China's new pragmatic masters called on the Dalai Lama to come home, and have since refused to take no for an answer.

In January a vice-chairman of the special reception committee set up in Lhasa to welcome all Tibetan exiles if they would return ("including Dalai") emphatically emphasized that they would get their property back, that their houses would be repaired, and that their perishables had already been "converted into money and put in the bank" for them.

Last month four high-ranking emissaries from the Dalai Lama left for China. They are in Tibet now for a two-month tour of the "autonomous region," doubtless to help their sceptical leaders decide whether he, too, should return to take part in "the construction of the Socialist motherland."

The Chinese are working hard to turn a backward feudal kingdom into a modern socialist state, and they control everything in Tibet down to the 2,000 agricultural communes into which its somewhat bewildered people have been organized.

They claim that today only 36 per cent of administrative cadres are of Han (Chinese) race,

but there are still 120,000 of them, in addition to the ubiquitous Chinese soldiery and the massive infusion of Chinese settlers among the 1,700,000 ethnic Tibetans.

Friction is inevitable and, not surprisingly, violent disorders which broke out in June were attributed to "contradictions between army and people," and chauvinistic cadres who "did not respect the equality between all nationalities."

Now Ren Rong, the overall boss of Tibet, who by 1971 had climbed to the top under the aegis of the disgraced "ultra-leftist" Lin Biao and the "Gang of Four," has been replaced in a sudden shake-up that even put a "living Buddha" among the faces in the "Tibet people's government."

Responsibility for the injuries and insults of the recent past is now placed on the infamous "Gang," who are accused of imposing "fascist dictatorship" on all the minorities in China.

Some of the Dalai Lama's advisers believe that now is the time for him to canvass American support for a demand for outright independence.

This appears to betray a wilful or willed ignorance of China. Imperial, nationalist or Communist, China is traditionally sensitive on two subjects above all: fragmentation and frontiers.

Many of the billion citizens of the People's Republic are racial minorities. Minorities inhabit 90 per cent of the borderlands and, only too often, the ethnic brothers of these different minorities live just across the boundary under the pernicious influence of China's suspicious or hostile neighbors — Vietnam, Laos, an unreconciled India, the Soviet Union and its satellite, the Mongolian People's Republic. (OFNS)

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Okaz called upon world public opinion to react against the Zionist decision to buy occupied lands in the West Bank and Gaza "as such a decision was tantamount to an overt challenge to the U.N. whose raison d'être is to see to it that international law and world conventions would not be breached by force."

It pointed to the call by the U.N. Human Rights Commission for a Security Council meeting on the issue and wondered whether a new resolution could do anything to prevent Tel Aviv from applying the decision. It said that "such a decision was a real time bomb," adding that Israel's prime objective was to alter the character of the occupied Arab territories.

It exhorted the U.N. to adopt a

new style when dealing with Israel so as to safeguard its prestige which Israel is trying to wreck.

It wished every success to the Human Rights Commission so that the latter could still prove worthy of this name, as what happened now in the area was a clear attempt by Israel to abrogate those rights.

Al-Bilad Thursday commented on the invitation addressed to Crown Prince Fahd to open a world seminar on Jerusalem in London on Dec. 3.

It said that Islamic countries expressed such a desire as they appreciated Saudi Arabia's stance towards the Palestinian issue. It added that the Kingdom would go to any length to "regain our lands and shrines and erase the sequels of Israel's aggression."

Al-Medina said that Crown Prince Fahd would not hesitate to do whatever might give prominence to the problem of Jerusalem

and win over world public opinion to the Palestinian cause.

It added that Saudi Arabia pinned a great deal of hope on that December seminar which would give the world a true picture of the Zionist conspiracy to usurp Jerusalem and destroy Al-Aqsa mosque, Islam's third holiest shrine.

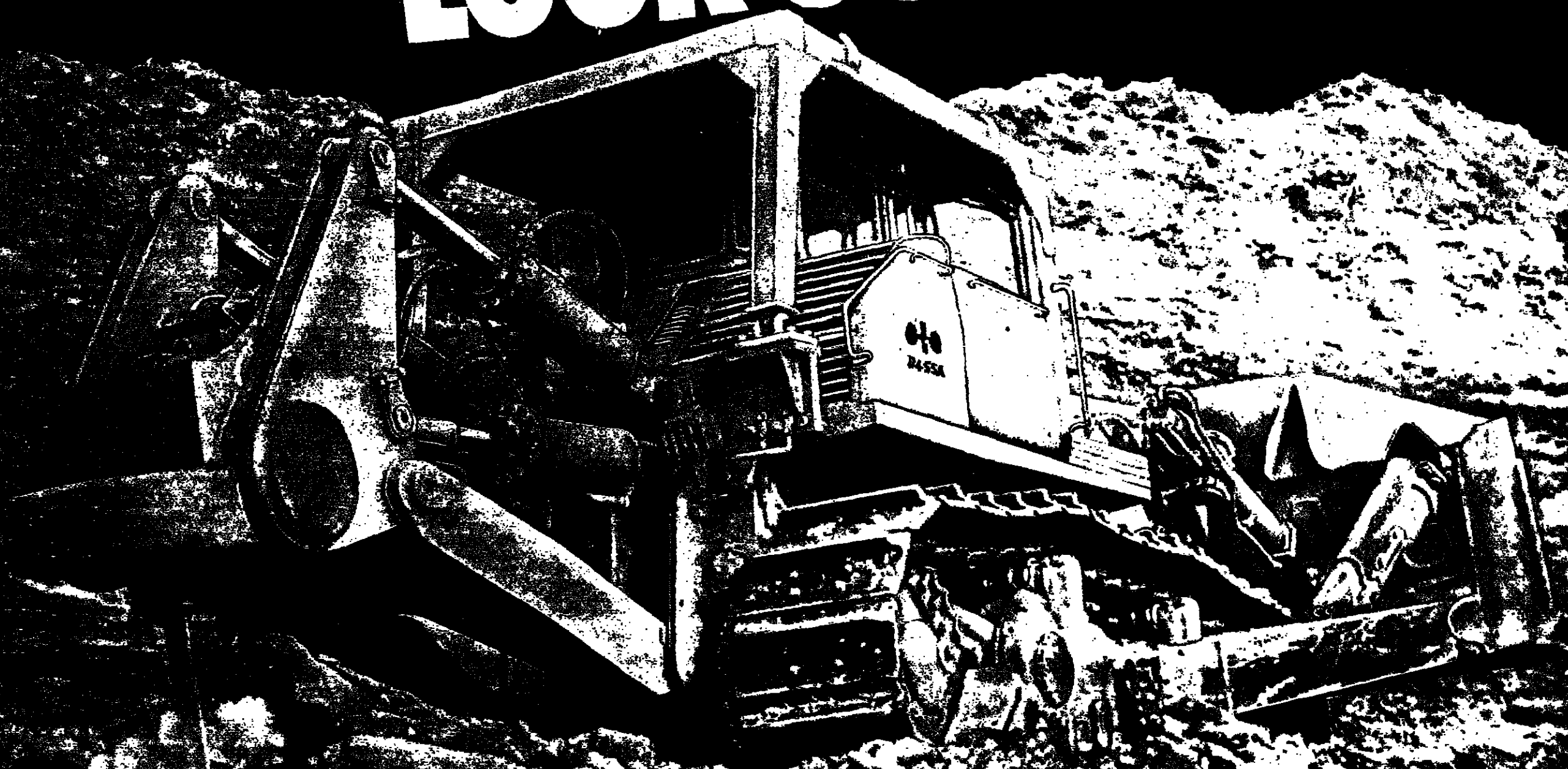
Al-Riyadh Thursday dealt with the current diplomatic drive of the Palestine Liberation Organization and the visits paid by its chairman Yasser Arafat to various world capitals to expound his viewpoint.

It said that the organization so far had been quite successful in reaching the heart of the American public which for a very long time knew only the Zionist viewpoint.

"Now it (American public opinion) knows that the Palestinian who holds a rifle with one hand and an olive branch with the other, is not as dreadful and intransigent as the Zionist," the

from striking again.

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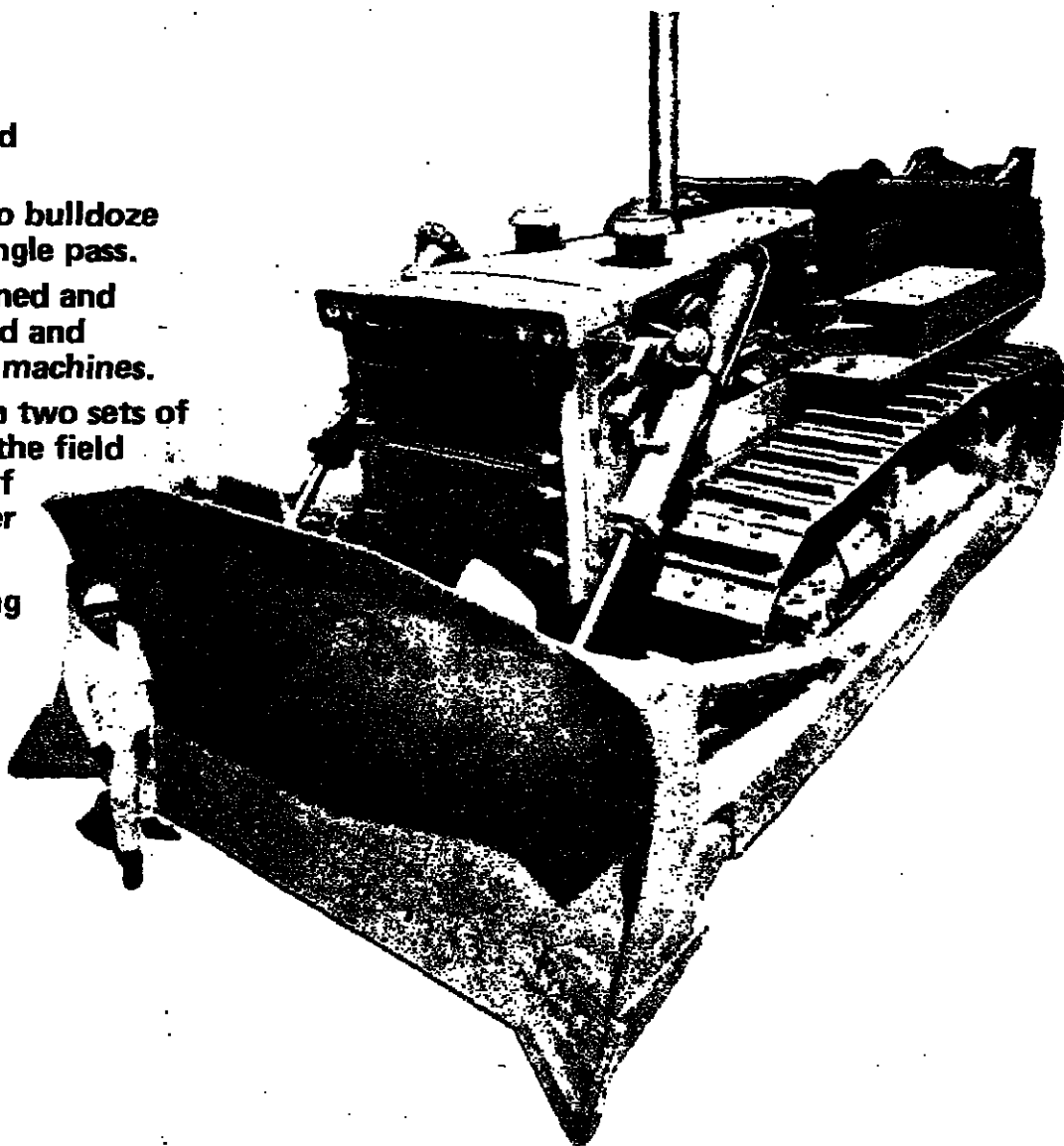
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Rome earthquake kills 6 people, damages famous old monuments

ROME, Sept. 21 (Agencies)—Rome's ancient monuments suffered some damage in an earthquake which rocked central Italy early Thursday, killing six people and making thousands homeless.

The quake, the strongest to hit Rome in more than a century, wrecked houses and churches in a wide area around the town of San Marco di Norcia, north of Rome.

Five of the victims were crushed by falling walls and a sixth was killed as he ran panic-stricken into the street and the path of a fleeing motorist.

Art officials examined Rome's historic monuments and found cracks and crumbled marble in the Colosseum, the Forum, Constantine's Arch and other monuments. They said the damage was not serious.

Near Spoleto a richly frescoed

16th century church collapsed. The Octagonal building, the Church of Our Lady of the Snow, stood at 3,000 feet and was decorated with frescoes by the Angelucci brothers.

The walls of the Basilica of St. Benedict cracked open in nearby Norcia, a medieval town that was virtually levelled.

The quake struck while most Italians were watching soccer on television. As buildings shook from Pisa in the north to Naples in the south, a distance of 450 miles, thousands grabbed their children and belongings and poured into the streets. Many spent the night outdoors.

In Perugia, the capital of Umbria, officials of the Nando Offici Circus said their elephants may have felt the quake as much

as one hour before. They said the animals grew increasingly restless, tore through barriers and broke free. Later, they were brought back to their confinement.

Lights at the Vatican apartment of Pope John Paul II, on the third floor of the 160-century Apostolic Palace, were still on during the earthquake and one hour after it.

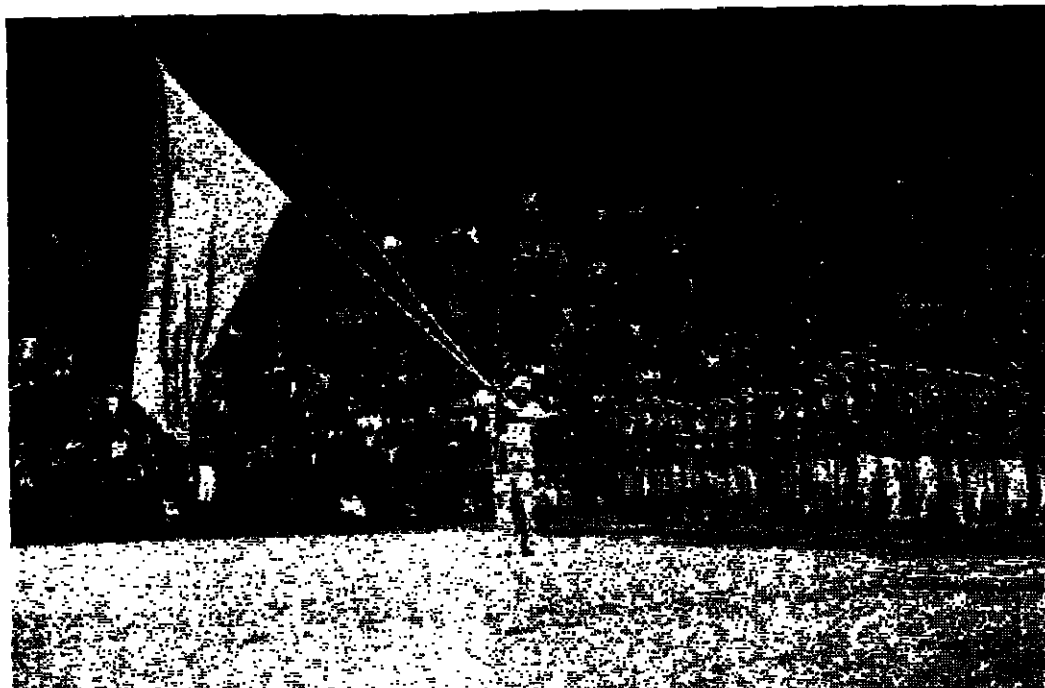
The quake was the worst to hit Italy since a massive tremor killed nearly 1,000 people in the northern region of Friuli in 1976.

Rescue officials said they believed the death toll would go no higher, but workers continued to dig through rubble Thursday searching for those who might still be trapped.

Tents for the homeless were being shipped into the hard-hit areas, but roads blocked by rock-falls and debris were delaying some of the relief work.

No new casualties or major damage were reported from the 300 aftershocks.

The major jolt, measured 5.8 on the open-ended Richter scale at its epicenter. The Richter scale is a measure of ground motion as recorded on seismographs. A quake with a reading on 5 can cause considerable damage in populated areas, and a quake with a "reading of more cause severe damage."



"INDEPENDENCE": South Africa last week gave independence to a third 'bantustan' or black 'homeland'. The photo shows the flag of Vanda, the new republic, being raised at a midnight ceremony. The world has not recognized Vanda, or the earlier two.

East Germany tightens controls after 2 daring escapes to West

BONN, Sept. 21 (AP)—A spectacular balloon escape and the defection of a top East German swimmer have caused communists to tighten controls on the death strip border between the

two Germanys, West German officials say.

"Hell's broken loose here since the balloon escape," an unidentified East German guard was quoted Thursday as confiding to a West German counterpart across the border at Nalva when he felt unobserved by fellow border guards.

East Germany has tried before to stop escapes, but people seeking freedom or the material advantages of living in the West have continued to outwit the guards.

Altogether 3,800 East Germans are expected to make it to the West this year, either by skipping through another East European country or by making a daring break across the border.

Airplane mechanic Peter Strelzyk, 37, his wife and two children, escaped with another family Sunday in their home-made hot-air balloon, which landed at Nalva, north of Bayreuth.

Last week Renate Vogel-Heinrich, 24, a former world swimming champion turned up at her aunt's home near Stuttgart after escaping while on a trip in Hungary, West German media

reported Tuesday.

This week East Germany restricted movement within 30 kilometers of the border, closed small airfields in the area and reinforced guards.

"It's never going to be possible again for anyone to buy enough material for a hot-air balloon over there," a West German guard at the border said.

Strelzyk said his family and their fellow escapees bought the material for their balloon in small quantities so as not to attract attention. The balloon was made of various kinds of material and was a patchwork of eight different colors.

Crossing the 1,400-kilometer death strip border has been difficult since the late 1940s, but for a time it was easy to slip into the West in the occupied city of Berlin, 176 kilometers inside East Germany.

The communists tried to plug the leak by building the Berlin Wall in 1961.

Even as the wall was going up, many East Germans, including soldiers, jumped across the barbed wire fences when Soviet tank crews were not looking.

Veteran MPLA member

Dos Santos chosen as Angola president

LONDON, Sept. 21 (Agencies)—Jose Eduardo dos Santos, 37, was elected president of Angola Thursday night after the death of founding head of state Agostinho Neto, the Angolan news agency Angop reported.

Angop said his choice as president and leader of the ruling Popular Movement for the Liberation of Angola (MPLA) until the next Congress was unanimous and by acclamation.

A communique issued by the MPLA-Labor Party Central Committee said the new president, a stone-mason's son, would be sworn in Friday.

Until the next Congress, which reports have said would take place next May, the new leader would be president of the republic and commander-in-chief of the armed forces.

NETO, a poet and physician, reportedly left Dos Santos in charge of the government earlier this month before leaving for surgery in Moscow. Dos Santos, considered a close ally of the late moderate Marxist leader, oversaw arrangements for Neto's funeral in Luanda Monday, a week after his predecessor died of cancer at a hospital in the Soviet capital.

The MPLA-Labor Party also named Foreign Minister Paulo Jorge as a full member of its central committee, Angop said.

The new leader, Angop said, was born in Luanda, the capital, August 28, 1942.

The republic's second president, is one of the youngest world leaders, a fact that surprises few in Angola.

Dos Santos has spent 18 years, just less than half his life, as a rising member of (MPLA), the party led through 13 years of guerrilla war for independence from Portugal and a ravaging three-way civil war by Neto.

During schooling in the coastal city Dos Santos began working with the party in 1961, the year the MPLA, along with two pro-Western parties, began fighting for independence. His first duties included organizing students into political action groups around the capital.

Later that year Dos Santos worked for the party in Kinshasa, then Leopoldville, in Zaire, where he was elected vice president of the youth branch of the organization. He also became the MPLA's first representative, at age 20, to Brazzaville in the Congo Republic.

The future party leader, along with a group MPLA youths, left for the Soviet Union in November 1963 to continue his studies. Six years later, with a degree in oil engineering, he transferred to another Soviet course for a year's military and telecommunications training.

African human rights unit called for by U.N. seminar

MONROVIA, Sept. 21 (AP)—The United Nations-sponsored seminar on the establishment of a regional commission on human rights for Africa has adopted a draft proposal calling for a body that would protect and promote human rights on Africa.

The proposal was submitted by a five-nation working committee from Ghana, Senegal, Tanzania, Zambia and Mali.

The draft says the agency would study violations of human rights and make recommendations to the Organization of African Unity.

It would also cooperate with other African and international

institutions, government and non-government, concerned with human rights.

It would be guided by the International Law of Human Rights, provisions of the U.N. Charter, the Charter of the OAU, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and various international covenants on economic, social, cultural, civil and political rights.

Another aim would be the elimination of all forms of racial discrimination. Other models include OAU conventions on refugees and mercenaries and provisions adopted by specialized U.N. agencies.



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If House fails to reconsider treaties

Carter warns of Panama Canal closure

WASHINGTON, Sept. 21 (AP) — The House of Representatives refused Thursday to approve a bill designed to carry out the Panama Canal Treaties, an action which the Carter administration warned could close down Canal operations by Oct. 1 if not reconsidered by the U.S. lawmakers.

The measure to carry out the final details of the Panama Canal Treaties, which are scheduled to take effect in less than two weeks, was defeated in the House on a vote of 203 to 192. The legislation had been approved earlier in the day by the Senate on a 60 to 35 vote.

After the House vote, the White House issued a statement on behalf of President Carter which said Carter "deeply regrets" that the House defeated the implementing legislation and the administration would make

"every effort" to get the vote reversed.

"It is inconceivable Congress will allow the Panama Canal to be closed even for a short time," the White House statement said.

Managers of the bill said they will try to work out a new one in hopes the House as well as the Senate will approve it, possibly next Thursday.

The Treaties turning the Canal over to Panama Dec. 31, 1999, take effect Oct. 1. The bill is needed primarily to create the U.S.-controlled commission that is to run the Canal until Panama gets it.

The White House statement said that Congress' failure to act could close Canal operations because "the United States must have legislative authority to exercise our rights to operate the canal."

However, State Department

officials have speculated privately that although the United States legal rights to the Canal end Oct. 1, operations would probably continue in legal limbo if Congress has not approved the new operating commission by then.

Supporters of the legislation said the treaties will go into effect as scheduled on Oct. 1, even if the legislation does not get Congressional approval. The treaties have been signed by President Carter and by Panamanian officials and have been ratified by the Senate.

Representative John M. Murphy, Democrat-New York, said that if the bill is not passed, President Jimmy Carter will issue an executive order that will do what the bill is designed to do. However, funding to carry out the terms of the treaties would still be in the hands of Congress.

Before the House vote, Murphy and other supporters of the bill

argued that rejection of the measure would kill it.

But after the vote, Murphy said the bill would be sent back to the House-Senate Conference Committee that approved the legislation in hopes another version acceptable to the House could be worked out.

Murphy blamed the defeat on House concern over the reported presence of a Soviet combat brigade in Cuba, unrest in Nicaragua and El Salvador, Panamanian support for the Sandinista guerrillas in Nicaragua and the recent Havana nonaligned conference.

Worried that the bill would be changed in a way that Panama might find offensive, the White House statement praised what it termed the Panamanian government's dignity and restraint during the long treaty fight.

For Carter the House vote came at a particularly difficult time in his relations with Congress. Conservatives who masterminded the Canal Treaty battle are beginning to sense they have the upper hand in their fight against ratification of the Strategic Arms Limitation Treaty (SALT II), now hampered by the issue of Soviet combat troops in Cuba.

One House provision would have prohibited payment of Panama's share of Canal revenues if U.S. leaders determined the Panamanian government was aiding revolution in other countries. Another restriction deleted from the final bill would have put the Canal under U.S. military control in wartime.



CELEBRATIONS: Gen. Magnus Malan (center), commander of South Africa's Defense Force, shakes hands with Chilean President Augusto Pinochet. Malan was in Santiago Tuesday for Chile's 169th Independence anniversary celebrations.

U.S. unit urges aid to poor in Cambodia

BANGKOK, Sept. 21 (AP) — Describing Cambodia as "a devastated land and a people in a state of shock," the first American aid group into that country this year Friday called on Washington and other governments to mount major relief efforts to stop the famine and death.

A five-member delegation, quoted international aid officials now in Cambodia as saying authorities there were "extremely conscientious" in monitoring the distribution of foreign aid to the civilian population.

The International Red Cross and UNICEF are currently negotiating with Phnom Penh for a large-scale relief effort and are already bringing in limited amounts of food and medicine.

U.S. State Department officials say the Vietnamese-backed government in Phnom Penh has thus far refused to agree on a program of international controls on food distribution and that without such controls the United States would not contribute food.

The officials say a famine that would be "terrible beyond imagination" seems likely to develop in Cambodia.

The group said there were only 58 identifiable doctors in the country.

Marcos claims being prepared to hand power to 'qualified' foe

MANILA, Sept. 21 (AP) — Philippines President Ferdinand Marcos offered Friday to step down if opponents can produce a more qualified leader. Thousands of Filipinos responded with cries of "Mabuhay ang pangulo" — "Long live the president."

Marcos' offer, which he obviously doesn't expect to be accepted since he just announced at least 18 more months of martial law, came during thanksgiving day

ceremonies to observe the seventh anniversary of the proclamation of military-backed rule in the Philippines.

The observance, planned and orchestrated by the government, coincided with publication of a government survey that purported to show that just over one-half of one per cent of the 47 million Filipinos want martial law dismantled.

The ministry of public information did not reveal the size of its sample but said the polling was done in Greater Manila and other areas of Luzon, the former American colony's main island.

As usual, the thanksgiving day observance was a show of adulation for Marcos and the "new society" he declared Sept. 21, 1972. Two of Greater Manila's five television channels pre-empted television shows all day for documentaries and other programs on the achievements of martial law.

Early exploration of Mars predicted

GENEVA, Sept. 21 (R) — One of the Soviet Union's best known cosmonauts said long spaceflights still presented problems but predicted that man would soon explore Mars.

Lt. Gen. Vladimir Shatalov, 52, who has made three flights and is in charge of training Soviet cosmonauts, was guest of honor at a Geneva luncheon given by the International Telecommunication Union (ITU).

In an interview he was asked about the future of manned spaceflights and the record-breaking space endurance by two Soviet cosmonauts of more than five months on the Salyut-6 space station.

Shatalov stressed that the Soviet Union intended to complete the Salyut-6 mission later according to planned procedures.

These would avert danger to anyone on the ground, as was posed by the United States "Skylab" spacecraft which fell in pieces on part of Australia and the Indian Ocean.

Questioned about man's future in space, Shatalov said. "This is a personal view and not necessarily the view of the Soviet Union, but I think the logical idea is the exploration of the Moon and Mars."

"This would not be such a big technological jump as that taken by mankind when the Soviet Union put Yuri Gagarin into space," he said.

The effects of prolonged weightlessness would not be an

insurmountable difficulty, he said. Exercise and electric stimulation would keep muscles in trim.

"We are sure that the duration of space flights could be prolonged but the frontiers are still unknown."

He said the immediate goals in space would involve using satellites as factories to produce liquid crystals and pure metals, and is a means of exploring Earth, particularly the resources of its oceans.

Czechoslovakia's Svoboda dies of heart attack at 83

PRAGUE, Sept. 21 (R) — General Ludvik Svoboda, Czechoslovakia's President during the liberalization period which ended with the Soviet-led invasion in August, 1968, died Thursday aged 83.

He had been appointed president five months earlier by the former Communist Party Leader Alexander Dubcek who was facing growing hostility from Moscow over the heady "Prague spring" of liberalization he had introduced.

General Svoboda's reputation as an upright, honest soldier who had commanded Czechoslovak forces in the Soviet Union during World War II was calculated to allay Moscow's doubts.

But the white-haired soldier-president refused to be browbeaten by the Russians when the Warsaw Pact armies later rolled across Czechoslovakia's frontiers.

When Russian tanks surrounded his official residence in Prague's Hradcany Castle, General Svoboda publicly denounced the Soviet-led invasion as an illegal act unsanctioned by the Czechoslovak government.

General Svoboda then went to Moscow to face the Kremlin leaders. One report said he laid a pistol on the conference table, threatening to commit suicide unless Dubcek and the then Prime Minister,

Oldrich Cernikuz were allowed to take part in the talks. The Russians agreed.

In the following years, General Svoboda presided over the widespread purges launched by the new Communist Party Leader, Gustav Husak, and identified himself with the new, tougher political spirit.

After his first five-year term as president, he was re-elected in March 1973, but became seriously ill a year later and finally retired in 1975.

Prague radio said a medical report showed that General Svoboda had died of heart failure. The announcement of his death was made in the name of the Communist Party's Central Committee, the government and President Husak.

Born in the village of Hrozna, in northwestern Czechoslovakia, on November 25, 1895, the young Svoboda began his career in 1915 as a member of the Austrian army which fought against Russia.

In World War II General Svoboda was back in the Soviet Union commanding Czechoslovak Brigade in the campaign against the Nazis and was decorated as a hero for his exploits.

As Defence Minister from 1945 to 1950 General Svoboda helped create the new Czechoslovak army.

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For April through June U.S. posts \$965m payments deficit

WASHINGTON, Sept. 21 (Agencies) — After a single quarter in the black, the U.S. balance of payments for international goods and services posted a \$965 million deficit for the second quarter this year, the Commerce Department reported Thursday.

The deficit was "A pretty small outflow in view of crude petroleum prices," which have gone up more than 60 per cent since the start of the year, said commerce analyst Adren Cooper. The commerce report, in fact, blamed much of the deficit from April through June on the increase in the price of U.S. merchandise imports, adding that "two-thirds of the increase... reflected higher prices of petroleum imports and increased imports of compact and subcompact passenger cars."

\$415m surplus
The deficit for the second quarter followed a first-quarter surplus of \$415 million, which has been the first black-ink period since the fourth quarter of 1976, commerce said. The surplus originally had been reported as \$200 million.

The United States payments deficit for the first half of 1979 totaled \$550 million considerably below \$10.3 billion for the first half of 1978.

U.S. officials are predicting that the nation will end the year with a deficit well below last year's record \$13.8 billion red ink.

The balance of payments statement is the broadest measure of U.S. economic relations with the rest of the world. In addition to accounting for foreign trade transactions, it covers services,

gifts, social security payments overpaid foreign aid and international gold flows.

Treasury Secretary G. William Miller said Wednesday he expected the 1979 deficit to be half last year's, with the balance of payments shifting into surplus for 1980.

He said he expected that trend to supply a sound underpinning for the dollar and the U.S. economy as it pulled out of the current recession next year.

Meanwhile President Jimmy Carter is taking another look at taxation of Americans abroad but is not reviewing any other policies concerning them, an official who has been coordinating reports on the subject said Thursday.

James Barie told the Associated Press in a telephone interview that he had not yet seen a letter from Senator George McGovern calling for an overall statement on how the government wants to treat its overseas citizens. The letter was dated Sept. 13.

Barie heads the branch dealing with International Affairs in the President's office of management and budget.

He pointed out that on Aug. 27 the President had asked G. William Miller, his new secretary of the Treasury to report by Dec. 1 "comparing the tax treatment of Americans abroad with the treatment by our major trading partners of their citizens living abroad."

Unlike the United States, all but a few countries collect no taxes at all from their citizens working in other lands.



ON THE UP AND UP: A trader at the French gold market Tuesday (Sept. 18) chalks up the latest kilo price of 51,420 francs. The international price of gold continued to surge ahead throughout the week closing at above \$380 an ounce in London on Thursday night.

To help Third World Venezuela proposing OPEC aid fund

NEW YORK, Sept. 21 (AP) — Venezuela will ask the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) to set up a permanent, multimillion-dollar fund to help Third World nations, Venezuela's Foreign Minister said Thursday.

Jose Alberto Zambrano Velasco said his country will propose the creation of a fund "aimed at softening the impact of the latest oil price increases on developing nations" at the next OPEC meeting to be held in Caracas in December.

Development projects
"Venezuela will ask the rest of the members of OPEC to establish

a permanent fund to grant loans for development projects in the Third World," Zambrano Velasco said during a conference at the Center for Interamerican Relations. The center is a private organization that sponsors conferences on Latin American affairs.

An aide to the Venezuelan foreign minister, who asked not to be identified, said his government has lobbied hard for the establishment of the fund within OPEC, and that the rest of members of the Organization are likely to approve it.

Emergency funds
The aide said OPEC has established many emergency funds for developing nations since 1975, the latest one of \$800 million, but that the Venezuelan proposal contemplated the creation of a permanent fund of "more than \$1 billion."

Regarding the recent decision of the Venezuelan government to cut crude oil production by 150,000 barrels a day starting next year, Zambrano Velasco said the measure was "in the interest of Venezuelan development."

However, he assured that "at this moment, we do not have in mind any other measure that could affect the current output."

A decade after Ekofisk

Norwegian oil continues to expand

OSLO, Sept. 21 — Norway's offshore oil and gas industry is continuing the rapid expansion of recent years as new North Sea fields come on stream and exploration steps up in a bid to uncover further reserves on the continental shelf.

A decade after the first major North Sea oil discovery was made in Norwegian waters by Phillips Petroleum on the Ekofisk field, Norway is expected to achieve an annual output of around 40 million tons of oil from seven fields — a one-third increase over 1978.

With domestic oil consumption only about nine million tons a year, Norway has already become a net exporter of petroleum. And the steep rise in world oil prices over recent months has added even further to the importance of

the North Sea reserves for the Norwegian economy.

This winter, too, production is due to start from the massive Statfjord field, the biggest so far found in North Sea waters. Norwegian oil and gas output will then build up swiftly to a preliminary peak of about 60 million tons by 1981, according to official projections.

Fresh drilling efforts have been encouraged in recent months by the award of nine new concessions in the North Sea, some of which cover acreage where the chance of making a commercial oil strike is thought to be very high. And the country is poised to take the next big step forward in exploring the vast seabed areas under its jurisdiction when the first oilwells are sunk north of the 62nd parallel in the summer of 1980.

Offshore service and supply activities also remain a growth area for Norwegian industry both in home waters and abroad — although exports of oil production platforms have suffered a setback this year for various reasons. New avenues of industrial expansion for Norway are being opened up, moreover, through innovative development deals linked to the country's North Sea oil sector.

Even before the latest oil price increases have been taken into account, Norway expects to make around \$4 billion from oil and gas exports during 1979 — about 40 per cent up on the \$2.84 billion earned by the sector last year.

Petroleum sales in 1978 accounted for approximately 30 per cent of the country's total foreign trade apart from ships and oil platforms.

Nine's position on oil imports may draw resistance from U.S.

BRUSSELS, Sept. 21 (Agencies) — European Common Market countries Thursday endorsed a stand on oil imports which could run into serious opposition from the United States at a big power energy meeting in Paris next week.

A delegate who attended the meeting of the 9 energy ministers, chaired by Ireland's Desmond O'Malley, said almost every country wanted a bigger share than the European commission had set. "If you add up all the extras asked, you wind up with 20 million tons more than the global target," the source said.

At the Tokyo Western economic summit, Common Market countries agreed on a ceiling of 472 million tons annually from 1980 to 1985.

A follow up meeting to the

Tokyo summit, called to formulate Western policy on the oil crisis, is scheduled for Wednesday in Paris.

Not imported

The Nine made clear here Thursday that North Sea oil is community — not imported — soil. The United States had wanted the Nine to consider it imported, thus reducing their allotted amount of Arab oil imports. The United States also would have liked the 9 to give a breakdown of their global imports.

Common Market countries will try to agree on allocations before Wednesday although O'Malley said the 9 didn't have to reveal them.

European Energy Commissioner Guido Brunner said there was no problem in meeting the

'Absolutely baseless'

India disclaims reports of lifting all silver curbs

NEW DELHI, Sept. 21 (AP) — The government has countered rumors that have sent Indian silver prices, among the lowest in the world, jumping by more than one dollar to \$8.14 per troy ounce in the past two weeks.

On Thursday, it denied widely-circulated reports that it planned to lift all restrictions on the export of silver, which have served to keep the domestic price down. The government called the reports "absolutely baseless."

The New Delhi Bullion Market closing price Thursday was \$8.14 per troy ounce compared to New York's \$16.85. It closed 14 days

earlier at \$7 in New Delhi.

Rumors rife

Rumors were rife in the Indian capital that the free export of silver may be permitted if former Prime Minister Indira Gandhi returns to power in December general election. Gandhi could not be reached for her opinion on silver export curbs.

"Implicit in the (government) decision, when it is announced, is an invitation that all attempts to check smuggling of silver from the country have proved futile," commented the Financial Express newspaper, which believed such liberalization was inevitable.

import target this year and next year but there were some risks for the medium term.

Brunner said the outlook for this winter was satisfactory but said that if Iran did not increase production, the community would be in trouble.

Consumption target

Brunner added that 500 million tons consumption target for this year would probably be exceeded. A 3 per cent or 15 million ton increase, due to the exceptionally tough winter, was expected.

Although most countries insisted on leeway margins for their import targets, Germany was the most reluctant to accept its limit, claiming it had the strongest economy among the 9. "If you think of growth, you need a margin," German Minister Otto Lambsdorff said.

"It is more important to agree on a policy than on figures," he said, "for you can be sure none of the targets will stand by 1985, particularly if we have a second Iran crisis."

British Energy Minister David Howell also made the point that the Common Market in Paris will start from the position that Britain's North Sea oil sold to its EEC partners could not be counted in their totals as imports from outside the community.

Asked about the effect this position could have at next week's talks, O'Malley said, clearly referring to the United States: "Other states are major importers and major producers. They cannot have it both ways."

Howell said the Nine had agreed to share the burden of oil consumption cuts.

Foreign Exchange Rates

FRIDAY	SAMA	Cash	Transfer
U.S. Dollar	3.36	3.37	3.365
Pound Sterling	7.27	7.31	7.25
Deutsche Mark (100)	189.00	186.50	186.40
Swiss F (100)	212.00	207.00	206.25
French F (100)	89.00	89.00	89.80
Italian Lira (10,000)	42.00	41.40	41.55
Lebanese Lira (100)		103.25	102.85
Syria Lira (100)		78.00	86.85
Egyptian Pound		4.45	4.65
Kuwait Dinar		12.18	12.15
Jordanian Dinar		11.20	11.15
Emirates Dirham (100)		88.90	88.80
Qatari Riyal (100)		90.00	90.00
Bahraini Dinar		8.90	8.85
Iranian Ryal (100)		9.25	—
Iraqi Dinar (100)		74.25	74.10
Yemeni Ryal (100)		81.00	86.85
Moroccan Dirham (100)		41.20	41.20
Indian Rupee (100)		33.50	34.20
Pakistani Rupee (100)		4,800.00	—
Gold kg.		—	—
10 Tolas bar		—	—
Silver kg.		—	—
Japanese Yen (1,000)	15.30	15.60	15.60
Canadian Dollar	2.88	4.00	—
Belgian Franc (1,000)	118.00	114.00	—
Dutch Guilder (1,000)	172.00	170.00	169.70
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4	Cher Chuan	Abdullah	Cent/Steel/Wood	14.3.79
5	Kranjovic	Ator	Iron/Tel/Gen	19.3.79
6	Penny 2	Al-Salbi	Steel/Gen	19.3.79
7	Saravali	Alpha	Bagged Sugar	19.3.79
8	Golden	A.A.	Bulk Wheat	19.3.79
9	Golden	Seaboard	Durra	19.3.79
11	Al Hadi	Rolaco	Colts/Steel	17.3.79
13	Argio	A.Salbi	Cent/Steel	19.3.79
16	Ever Harvest	Rolaco	Bulk Cement	19.3.79
19	Korlan Carrier	Al-Raze	Steel/Platagan	19.3.79
20	Stairfield	O Trade	Steel/Gen	19.3.79
21	Saudi Star	A.A.	Bagged Cement	19.3.79
22	Elif 2	OCE	Refriger	19.3.79
38	Novi T	Star	Fruit	19.3.79
40	Papagayo	Universal	Durra	19.3.79
41	Smara	Seaboard	Gen/Steel/Sugar	14.3.79
42	Rapides	O.C.E.	Froz. Chicken/Eggs	19.3.79
43	Khalid Freater	O.C.E.	Fruit	19.3.79
44	Servus Storm	H.S.S.C.	Contr/Ro	19.3.79
45	Strider Juno	H.S.S.C.	Contr/Ro	19.3.79

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Penny 2	Red Sea	Gen/Steel/Contrs.	19.3.79
Kranjovic	Ator	Iron/Tel/Gen	19.3.79
Ever Harvest	Al-Salbi	Cent/Steel	19.3.79
Tokyo Bay	Kanoo	Cent/Steel	19.3.79
Eva Del Mar	H.S.S.C.	Cent/Steel	19.3.79
Bahij	H.S.S.C.	Cent/Steel	19.3.79
Papagayo	A.E.T.	Cars	19.3.79

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5	Lion Maersk	Kanoo	General	19.3.79
10	Kota Mas	Gulf	Loading Unas	19.3.79
12	Hellenic Sun	Gulf	General	19.3.79
13	Malabar	S.E.A.	General	19.3.79
14	Sharp Island	U.E.P.	Gen/Steel Products	19.3.79
15	Carvo	Gosalt	General	19.3.79
16	Lula Lu	Al Raze	Bulk Cement	19.3.79
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21	Sea Fortune	Gosalt	Timber	19.3.79
28	Mitsa K	Gosalt	General	19.3.79
30	Ale Samiha	Gulf	General	19.3.79
31	Pacific	Kanoo	Houses	19.3.79
35	Tug Pacific	S.M.C.	Bulk Cement	19.3.79
36	Bassal	S.M.C.	Bulk Cement	19.3.79
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Carvo	Gosalt	General	19.3.79
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Sept. 19	Sept. 20	Sept. 19	Sept. 19	Sept. 20	Sept. 19
Algeria	100.00	100.00	Algeria	100.00	100.00
Libya	100.00	100.00	Libya	100.00	100.00
Sudan	100.00	100.00	Sudan	100.00	100.00
Egypt	100.00	100.00	Egypt	100.00	100.00
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Denmark	5.0957	5.1032	Norwegian Krone	1.3355	1.3355
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Mets crushed

Montreal regains lead in NL East

NEW YORK, Sept. 21 (AP) — The Montreal Expos swept their second doubleheader in two nights from the New York Mets and returned to first place in the National League East Thursday night.

The Expos won the opener 6-3 when Jerry White's leadoff homer ignited a four-run second inning. They took the nightcap 2-0 when Gary Carter's fifth-inning single snapped a scoreless tie and White delivered a second run with a single.

The sweep, combined with the Philadelphia Phillies' 2-1 victory over Pittsburgh, gave the Expos a one-game lead over the second-place Pirates. Manny Trillo's RBI single in the seventh inning carried the Phillies past the Pirates.

The Phillies manager Dallas Green objected in the sixth inning and Philadelphia was reversed and what appeared to be a three-run over by Keith Moreland was negated.

The rookie Phillies catcher hit a drive to the left-field corner that Gregg, the third base umpire, first ruled a home run. But the entire pirates team, led by manager Chuck Tanner, surrounded Gregg and the umpires then reversed the decision and called the ball foul. That brought Green out to protest.

In the American League, Don Baylor had three RBI and Brian Downing hit a three-run homer as first-place California defeated second-place Kansas 11-6 and

boosted their West lead to three games.

Meanwhile, Eddie Murray hit a tie-breaking home run in the seventh inning as the Baltimore Orioles defeated the Detroit Tigers 8-7 and reduced to two their "magic number" for clinching the AL East.

Minnesota's John Castino drove in three runs to give the Twins a 3-1 victory over the New York Yankees. The Toronto Blue Jays beat the Boston Red Sox 6-2 as Knir Moore tossed a four-hitter, Tony Smalita and Rick Cerone hit two-run homers and Roy Howell hit a home run with no one on base.

McEnroe flattens Gullikson

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 21 (AP) — Top-seeded John McEnroe took a relatively easy 6-3, 6-4 victory over Tim Gullikson, but No. 2 seed Roscoe Tanner barely escaped in a 6-7, 6-4, 1-6 victory over Marty Riessen Thursday night in the Kramer Tennis Open.

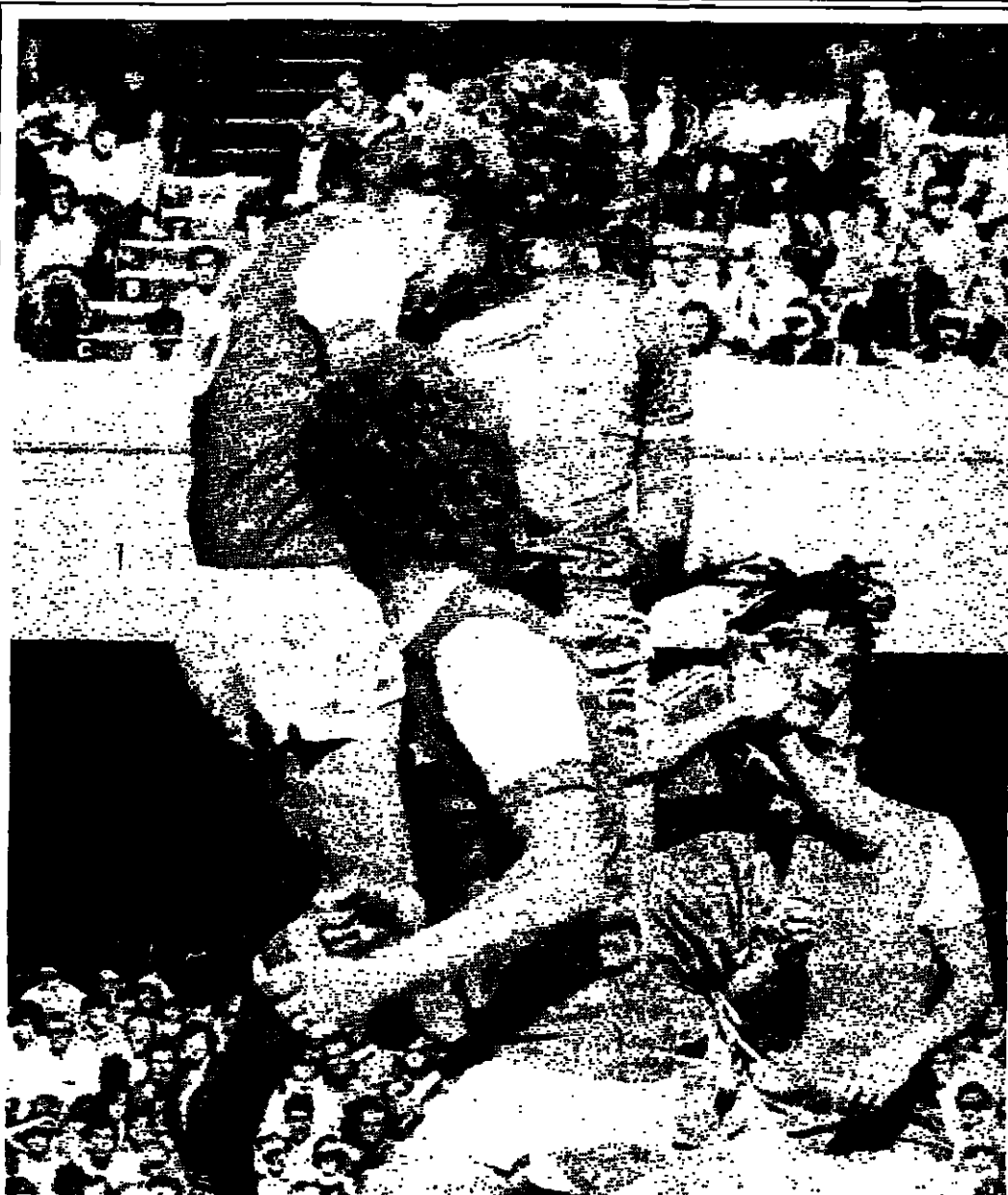
In one of the tournament's best matches so far, Tanner lost the first set in a 7-4 tiebreaker, recorded the only service break of the match in the second set to win it, and took a 7-3 tiebreaker in the final set.

The veteran Riessen, 38, kept close all the way but appeared to be tiring in the late stages against the 27-year-old Tanner.

McEnroe did not overpower Gullikson, but still played well enough to win.

Earlier in the day, Hank Pfister upset third seeded Victor Pecci of Paraguay 4-6, 6-1, 6-4.

Seventh-seeded Gene Mayer defeated Freddie McNeil 6-3, 6-1. Peter Fleming eliminated Stan Smith 6-2, 6-2, and Eliot Teltscher defeated Tom Gorman 6-2, 7-5. In other matches, Victor Amaya beat Raul Ramirez 6-4, 6-1, and Vincent van Patten downed Bruce Manson 6-2, 6-7, 6-2.



UP: Willie Young of Arsenal (top left) and Billy Ashcroft of Middlesbrough go for the ball in a Highbury game as Alan Sunderland of Arsenal (foreground) looks on.

Little-climbed Himalchuli

Americans start for Himalayan peak

KATMANDU, Sept. 21 (AP) — An American Himalchuli expedition left here Friday morning by bus for Dumre, about 100 miles west of Katmandu, to start a week-long trek to base camp in an attempt to scale the 25,895-foot peak.

The seven-man team leader, Skip Horner, 34, said that the Americans were keen to scale Himalchuli "because it is one of the mountains which have been climbed the least."

Of the 11 attempts made by various national expeditions, nine have ended in failure. Only two teams, both Japanese, have achieved their goal.

The Japanese did it through the southwest face, but the Americans plan to try the difficult east face.

Horner told reporters that the top part of mountain would be very difficult. "We might need to use high technique climbing on rock and ice," he said. Even to

find out a site for base camp is "another hurdle."

Stacy Standley, 30, said that they plan to put four high altitude camps above the base camp along the five-mile long east ridge.

The team has two very good high altitude ice and rock climbers, Dick Jackson and Jack Muller.

Miller said the headwall of ice and snow beginning from 22,500 feet would be the "real challenge."

France the only challenger

Italy dominates Split swimming

SPLIT, Yugoslavia, Sept. 21 (R) — Italy and France took four or five swimming finals at the Mediterranean Games here Thursday.

The Italians continued their domination of the swimming competition from the previous two days by winning three gold, two silver and three bronze medals.

France took the title in the men's 100 meters backstroke, as well as the silver in men's 200 breaststroke and women's 4 x 100 medley relay. Their only bronze of the day came from Anniet de Susin who finished third in the women's 100 meters backstroke.

But the most exciting race of the day was men's 200 meters freestyle, which was decided in the last meters. Spain's David Lopez

Zubero won the title with 1:53.58 minutes, followed by Borut Petric of Yugoslavia with 1:53.76 and Italian champion Marcello Guarducci who clocked 1:53.81.

Petric, who won two golds for his country Wednesday and the day before, was third or fourth throughout the race, but he managed to overtake Noel Fabian of France and beat Guarducci into the third position on the last strokes.

It has become a habit that the old games records are shattered in each swimming final race. This was no exception and records were set in all the five finals.

Italian Carlotta Tagnin and her compatriot Sabrina Seminare respectively won the gold and silver medals in women's 100 breaststroke.

By Lye, Wadkins

Napa first-round lead tied

NAPA, California, Sept. 21 (AP) — Mark Lye earned a share of the first round lead in Napa's Pro golf tour event by finishing with an eagle for a six-under-par 66 Thursday.

Bobby Wadkins matched his score with a card that had six birdies and no bogeys. Both Lye and Wadkins played Silverado country club's South Course.

Tom Watson won the tournament, the Anheuser-Busch classic, last year but is not here for a title defense.

Lye scrambled for a par-four on the opening hole of the 6,619-yard south course by sinking an eight-foot putt. He ended his round by knocking in a 35-footer for a three at the par-five final hole.

"I think local knowledge helps, especially on the South Course," said Lye, a native of Napa, who will play the longer North Course, also par 72, in Friday's second round.

Napa's best-known golfer: Johnny Miller, could manage only a 73 in the opening round. That left him well back in the field, as about half the players in the field of 156 shot par or better on the warm and virtually windless day.

Lye Wadkins took a one-stroke lead over Lee Elder and Tom Purtzer, who both posted their 67s on the South Course.

The best score on the 6,870-

yard North Course was by Buddy Gardner, one of six players at 68. He was tied with Victor Regalado, Charles Coody, Alan Tapie, Bill Rogers and Lou Graham.

A large group at 69 included John Fought, winner of last weekend's Buick Open, and Bing Crosby. Tournament champion Lon Hinkle. They both opened on the North Course.

Women

OVERLAND PARK, Kansas, Sept. 21 (AP) — Veteran Sandra Haynie, playing in only her sixth tournament of the year, fired a five-under-par 68 Thursday to nab a two-shot lead after the first round of a Ladies Professional Golf Association tournament.

Isabelle Arene snatched another gold medal for France in diving. She won the women's springboard diving event with 394.77 points.

Carmen Nunez and Sonia Fernandez, both of Spain, took the silver and bronze medals.

Italy's Andrea Benelli and his compatriot Celso Giardini took the gold and the silver in the men's pigeon shooting skeet event. Benelli, who shot 198 birds, set the games record. Petros Pappas of Greece was third.

Brigadier Muhammad Sabry won Egypt's first gold medal at the games when he won the rapid fire pistol target shooting.

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In particular he appealed to Britain's rugby players to reconsider their invitation to a mixed-race South African touring side which the French and Irish governments have already said they will not allow into their countries.

"This is just a sham team and it is quite clear the South Africans are trying to set a precedent," Gitter said.

He said guidelines laid down by the International Olympic Com-

mittee made clear there should be no end to the country's sporting isolation until apartheid was abolished.

Galindez undergoes surgery

BUENOS AIRES, Sept. 21 (AP) — Argentine boxer Victor Galindez has undergone surgery for arthritis in his right elbow and cannot fight until the end of the year.

Galindez had planned to fight Jesse Burnett of the United States in a light-heavyweight contest here Oct. 5, but Dr. Guillermo Dabbah said it has been canceled. Galindez's elbow, operated on Wednesday, would be in a cast for 75 days.

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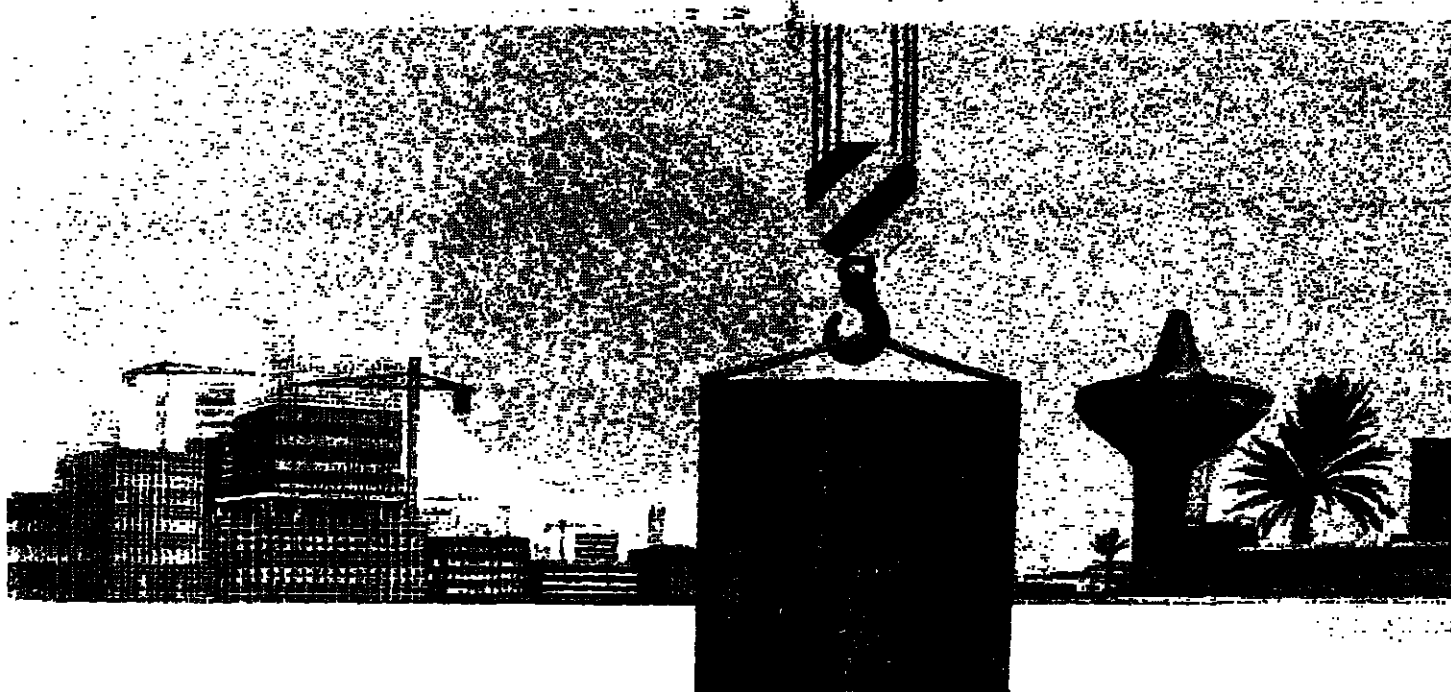
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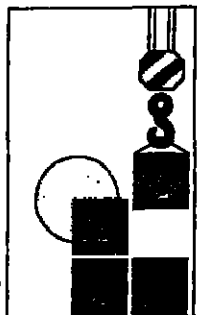
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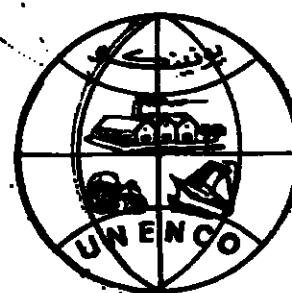
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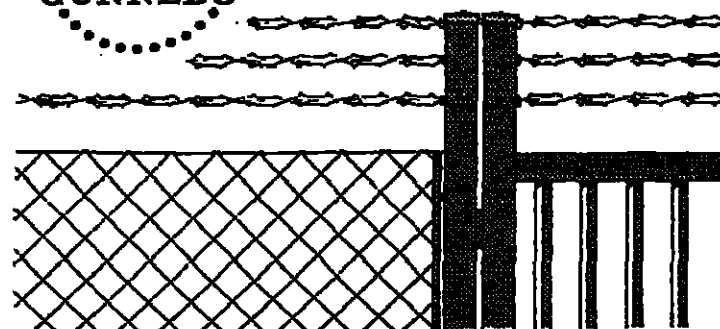
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Reversing earlier stand

Britain, Rhodesia agree on charter

LONDON, Sept. 21 (R) — The Zimbabwe Rhodesian government, one of the two warring parties at Rhodesian peace talks, late Friday announced it had accepted British proposals for a new black rule constitution which would strip the country's white minority of its powers to veto change.

The Salisbury government's rival for power, the Patriotic Front guerrillas, is still negotiating with Britain on a constitution. Both the British and the guerrillas have insisted that a full settlement will depend not only on a constitution but on arrangements leading to legal independence.

Salisbury Prime Minister Abel Muzorewa, announcing the decision, demanded the British government immediately lift trade sanctions against his country and grant the rebel territory legal independence.

Muzorewa said his bi-racial delegation of 12 had agreed to accept the British plan by a secret ballot of 11 to one.

He did not say who the dissenter was, but British sources earlier told reporters that former white Premier Ian Smith was objecting to the removal of white safeguards.

It was Smith's unilateral declaration of independence from Britain in 1965 — a move aimed at staying off black rule — which led to



Prime Minister Muzorewa

Britain and the international community to impose sanctions on Rhodesia.

Muzorewa's announcement was a surprise, since earlier in the day a spokesman for his government said the Salisbury group and Britain had not been able to reach an agreement on the constitution.

"Too many questions remain to be answered, centering on a date for the lifting of sanctions from our country", a member of the

Salisbury team said. "We wanted to do a deal on a constitution but could not get our quid pro quo from the British."

Britain has made clear that an overall agreement at the conference between it and the two warring parties — the Salisbury government and Patriotic Front guerrillas — must be reached before the breakaway colony can be granted legal independence and international recognition and have sanctions lifted.

The Muzorewa team Friday presented British Foreign Secretary Lord Carrington with the proposition that it could agree on a British-drafted constitution stripping the whites of their veto on further change — providing Britain reciprocated by lifting sanctions.

Former Premier Ian Smith has insisted he must be given ammunition with which to sell a reduction in minority powers to the 238,000 whites, outnumbered 30-to-one by blacks.

After Smith seized independence from Britain in 1965 in a bid to preserve white rule, Britain and other United Nations members imposed trade sanctions on the rebel colony.

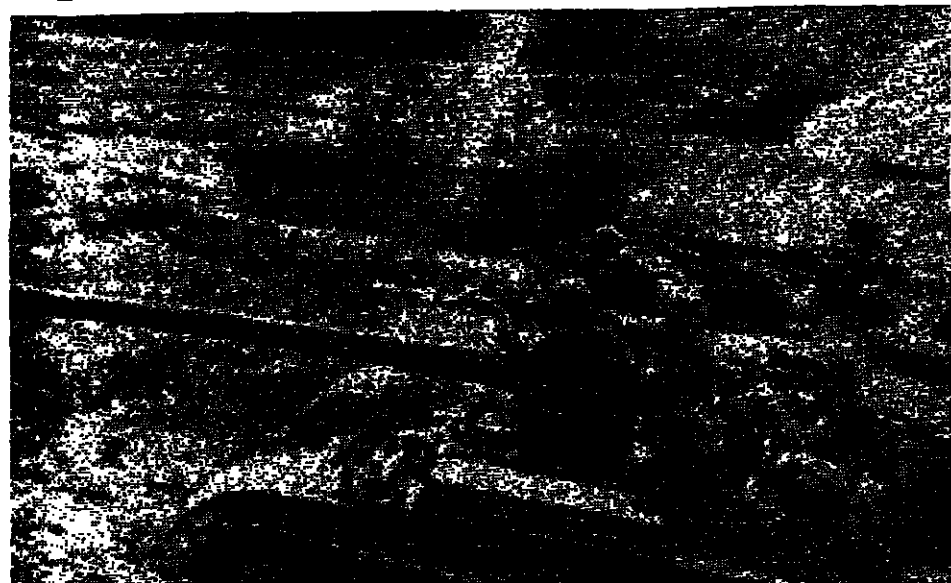
The Salisbury delegation Thursday had expressed optimism about Friday's meeting with Carrington, predicting that an accord was within sight. Delegation sources had said they expected the back of the talks to be broken Friday and tentatively scheduled a "victory" news conference by Muzorewa.

"Things haven't moved as fast as we expected," a Zimbabwe Rhodesian delegate said. "But our optimism still stands. An agreement is on the way, but several things need to be polished up before we can make any announcement to the press."

He said further talks between British and Zimbabwe Rhodesian officials might have to be held over the weekend.

A British spokesman said merely that there had been a further "useful exchange of views." An official stressed it had not been Britain which had raised expectations about a breakthrough.

British delegations sources said Smith did not say during Friday's session that he was willing to drop his demands for the retention of white powers.



MANEUVERS: Soviet Army tank maneuvers such as those shown above were what tipped U.S. intelligence agencies into the discovery of Russian combat troops in Cuba.

On Cuba troops

Carter threatening Soviets

WASHINGTON, Sept. 21 (AP) — The United States will act on its own to alter the status quo if negotiations on Soviet troops in Cuba fail, President Jimmy Carter told congressional leaders Thursday.

Reporting this, White House press secretary Jody Powell said Carter, who has said he will not accept the status quo in Cuba, told the congressional leaders the situation could be changed through negotiations "or by action on our part."

Powell said the president told the group his administration was preparing options for use if the controversy "is not resolved satisfactorily" through negotiations.

Powell said Carter in that case would "be prepared to take whatever actions are appropriate."

House Democratic Party Assistant Leader John Brademas of Indiana, who was present, said Carter spoke of options "that would be unattractive from the viewpoint of the Soviet Union."

A White House official, who asked not to be named, emphasized that no direct military action against either Cuba or the Soviet

Union was contemplated. Carter also told the leaders that U.S.-Soviet discussions on Soviet troops in Cuba are just now approaching the bargaining stage.

U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus R. Vance was meeting Thursday for the fifth time with Soviet Ambassador Anatoly Dobrynin. They were reported arranging direct talks in New York next week between Vance and Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko.

Prior to Carter's session with congressional leaders, many had assumed that earlier Vance-Dobrynin talks had been substantive.

An administration informant told reporters, however, that developments here to date had involved assessing American intelligence data and asking the Soviets "a series of very specific questions" which were relayed to Moscow by Dobrynin and considered "at a very high level" there.

Senate Republican Leader Howard Baker, of Tennessee, who seeks his party's 1980 presidential nomination, emerged from the White House session to voice impatience at the pace of U.S.-Soviet discussions.

Good Morning

By Jihad Khazen

"Ping pong diplomacy", as readers with longish memories will not doubt recall, was the start of "normalization" of relations between America and China. But there is a far less constructive application of the "ping pong" principle, one which usually leads to the severing rather than the establishing and cementing of relations.

There is the kind of person you start telling a story to. Before you are half way through, he has taken over with a "counter" or "at" story of his own — with a far more interesting protagonist, with profounder significance than your own mundane effort at passing the time of day.

Let's say, as an example, you just passed through a country which has just had a military coup. You reflect to your companion mildly, "imagine, the tanks were still in the streets." When, with the terrifying efficiency of Chinese ping pong players, back comes the smash: "I was there myself. In fact, I was visiting the minister of defense in his office when all hell broke loose. Tricky. I was arrested and almost shot by the revolutionaries."

Sadly, you look at the corpse of your own little story, shot most certainly to pieces... no "almosts" here.

Ping pong talking is a variant of the art of conversational one-upmanship. The "one upman" might allow you to finish your story before ringing his own dramatic changes on it, reducing what you thought an interesting moving tale to the "proper perspective". The ping ponger dispenses with this formality, allowing enough time for him to catch your drift before launching into the counter attack. The philosophy behind this is that he already knows how piddling your story must be, so why not put you out of your misery before you really make a fool of yourself.

A good ping ponger would sit with an experienced doctor a brilliant engineer, and the foremost poet of that particular time and place. No sooner than learning who is who in the company than he starts with the strangest of medical anecdotes and the most recent inventions in engineering. With two down and one to go, he turns to the poet, remarking wistfully how he, at any rate, would not publish his own poetry in such philistine times.

In the embarrassed silence which usually follows, you allow yourself to dream of the perfect crime... with a competent engineer to devise the hellish mode of dispatch, a doctor to dispose of the remains, and a poet to celebrate the brave and good deed.

Translated from Ashary Al Awsat

U.S. House committee passes defense budget

WASHINGTON, Sept. 21 (R) — The House of Representatives Appropriations Committee has approved a \$129.9 billion 1980 defense bill, cutting President Jimmy Carter's request by \$2.4 billion but including a nuclear aircraft carrier he does not want.

Approved by voice vote and sent to the House Floor, the bill cut \$600 million from a recent \$2.7 billion addition sought by the administration to offset inflation.

Pending political negotiations

Ullsten resigns as Sweden chief

STOCKHOLM, Sept. 21 (R) — Liberal Party Leader Ola Ullsten resigned as prime minister Thursday to negotiate with Sweden's two other non-socialist parties on forming a new government.

One hurdle was removed when Conservative leader Goesta Bohman, whose party's gains in last Sunday's election made it the biggest of the three, dropped out of the running for prime minister.

He named as possible prime ministers only Ullsten and Center Party leader Thorbjorn Faellid.

Ullsten handed his resignation to Riksdag (parliament) Speaker Henry Allard after a rally of postal votes Wednesday night gave the non-socialists a one-seat majority over Olof Palme's Social Democrats and the Communists.

Then the other major party leaders saw Allard one by one.

"We must strive towards a new three-party cooperation," Bohman told reporters. He hoped this could be achieved by the opening of the Riksdag on October 1.

Bohman's party gained 18 seats at the polls while the Center lost 22 and the Liberals one. But his demands for sharp tax cuts are regarded as extreme by the Liberal and Center parties which together still outnumber the Conservatives.

Faellid, prime minister of the three-party government formed in 1976, Thursday made light of the Conservatives' tax pledges, but said all points were open for discussion.

After seeing Allard the three leaders are expected to consult party brass, perhaps not sitting down together until next week.

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GUARDED: Sen. Edward Kennedy waves to admirers during recent appearance. Thursday the White House said it will provide Kennedy with Secret Service protection, virtually confirming his status as a candidate.

In Turin street

Fiat executive gunned down

TURIN, Italy, Sept. 21 (R) — The chief planner for the Fiat car company was shot dead by four masked guerrillas in a Turin street Friday.

A far-left group called the "Front Line" claimed responsibility for the killing of executive Carlo Ghiglieno and called it the first act of a terror campaign against Fiat, Italy's biggest company.

Ghiglieno, 51, was gunned down as he went to work.

The murder, witnessed by the victim's wife and several passers-by, was the first fatal guerrilla attack in Italy for over two months.

It brought to 15 the number of people killed by Italian guerrillas this year.

Ghiglieno was the most senior Fiat official yet chosen as a target. The Front Line claimed responsibility for the killing of executive Carlo Ghiglieno and called it the first act of a campaign of proletarian terror against the (Fiat) firm's hierarchy," the caller said.

Turin-based Fiat, which employs 250,000 people, has been constantly threatened with political violence.

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White House orders protection for Kennedy

WASHINGTON, Sept. 21 (Agencies) — Senator Edward Kennedy, who is widely expected to challenge President Jimmy Carter for the White House next year, has been given special Secret Service protection normally reserved for presidential candidates.

White House Press Secretary Jody Powell, announcing the decision Thursday, refused to speculate that special protection signaled that the Massachusetts Democrat would enter the race next year.

But political observers believed the unusual step taken by the White House suggested Kennedy has privately informed President Carter that he intends to challenge him for the presidency next year.

But there have also been reports of a surge in the number of threats on Kennedy's life following recent speculation about his political plans.

In public, Kennedy has said he will decide in the next few months whether he will enter the race for the Democratic Party's nomination for next year's presidential election.

He said his decision on whether to enter the race would be influenced by the state of the economy and on President Carter's standing with the voters.

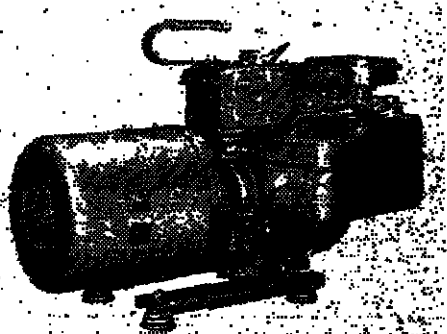
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